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STATE OF GEORGIA,  
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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, October 27th, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met in accordance with law, and was called to order by the President, Hon. Robert L. Berner.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain, the Rev J. W. G. Watkins.

On the call of the roll the following Senators being present, answered to their names:

Allen,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Starr,	

A quorum was present and the Senate proceeded with business.

Mr. Battle offered the following resolutions, which were read and agreed to, to wit:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives that the Senate has reconvened, and is now ready for business.

Resolved, That, the House concurring, a committee of three from the Senate and five from the House be appointed to notify the Governor that the General Assembly has reconvened and is ready to receive any communication he may desire to make.

The committee appointed on the part of the Senate are Messrs. Battle, Kilpatrick, and Kemp.

Leave of absence for a few days on special business was granted Mr. Sheffield.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform this branch of the General Assembly that the House has reconvened according to law, and is now ready to proceed with the regular business of the session.

On the call for the introduction of new matter the following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as respectively indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Thompson—

A bill to amend, change and repeal section 4 of the charter of the town of Unadilla, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in Dooly county, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend section 1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895, so as to restrict the employment of misdemeanor convicts to public works.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Dunwoody—

A bill to quiet the title of lands in Camden county, etc.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Berner, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted, and ordered to be immediately transmitted to the House:

*Mr. President:*

Mr. Berner, Chairman Committee on Rules, begs leave to submit the following report:

Resolved, by the Senate, House concurring, that the Finance Committees of the Senate and House shall constitute the joint standing committees of the Senate and House.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the following resolutions of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution notifying the Governor that the General Assembly has reconvened and is ready for the business of the session.

Also, a resolution that a committee of three from the Senate and five from the House be appointed to notify the Governor the General Assembly has reconvened according to law and is ready for the business of the session, and ready to receive any message from his Excellency.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Boifeuillet, Longley of Troup, Rutherford, Paul Turner, and Ennis of Floyd.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the committee to wait upon the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly has reconvened, etc., report the performance of that duty, and that the Governor would communicate with them immediately his annual message to the General Assembly.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing.

On motion of Mr. Turner, the annual message of the Governor was taken up and read, and is as follows, to wit:



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1897

## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

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STATE OF GEORGIA EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
ATLANTA, GA., October 27, 1897.

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly:*

During the session upon which you now enter matters of great interest to the people of the State must be considered and acted upon by you. It has been many years since so many grave questions demanded consideration by a General Assembly.

Before discussing some of these, I invite your attention to the reports of Hon. W. J. Speer, Treasurer ; Hon. W. A. Wright, Comptroller General ; Hon. R. T. Nesbitt, Commissioner of Agriculture ; Hon. J. S. Turner, Principal Keeper of the Penitentiary ; Hon. L. N. Trammell, T. C. Crenshaw, and Allen Fort, Railroad Commissioners ; Hon. A. D. Candler, Secretary of State ; Hon. G. R. Glenn, State School Commissioner ; Hon. J. M. Kell, Adjutant General ; Hon. Richard Johnson, Commissioner of Pensions ; Hon. J. M. Terrell, Attorney General, and of the various State Institutions required by law to make reports, all of which will be printed and laid before each member.

To thoroughly understand the work done by, and the condition of, each institution and department of the State government, it is essential that you acquaint yourselves with the contents of these reports.

To the recommendations in the reports from the respective departments I call your attention especially. They are

made by men whose ability has been recognized by the State and who, by reason of their daily contact with them, understand the questions of which they treat.

#### NORTHEASTERN RAILROAD.

On the 28th day of May, 1896, after advertising for bids as directed in act authorizing a lease, the Northeastern Railroad was leased to E. A. Richards & Co. at the sum of eighteen thousand six hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, for a term of twenty years, from the first day of June, 1896, and a bond taken in conformity to law.

The rent was paid for two quarters. When the rent for the third quarter fell due on the first day of March, 1897, it was not paid, and when the two months' time, in which they were permitted under the law to pay this, had expired, the rent was still unpaid.

By virtue of authority vested in me, I then seized the road and have since operated it for the State under the direct management of Hon. R. K. Reeves, who was appointed by me State agent.

I submit herewith a statement showing the net earnings for each month for which report has been made to me :

May	-----	\$ 742 98
June	-----	751 50
July	-----	1,143 49
August	-----	1,374 47
September	-----	2,000 00
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Total.	-----	\$6,012 44

The months covered by these reports are the hardest of the year, but it is gratifying to be able to state that they show an increase over the earnings in the same period, when previously operated by the State.

Under present conditions we can safely rely upon (the net earnings of) the road earning a good income on the sum at which it was purchased by the State, to wit: one hundred thousand dollars, and it will more than pay interest on the series of bonds issued to retire the two hundred and eighty-seven thousand dollars of bonds on said road, upon which the State of Georgia was endorser.

As this is a short and dependent line, and in view of possible changes in the railroad situation which might impair and possibly destroy its value, I recommend that an act be passed authorizing the Governor, at his discretion, to offer it for sale whenever, in his opinion, it can be sold for the amount of the bonds issued by the State to cancel the series above mentioned.

#### RAILROAD COMMISSION.

Your special attention is called to that part of the report of the Railroad Commissioners in which legislation is recommended to enlarge their powers, and to better enable them to enforce their decrees.

These recommendations, briefly stated, are :

Control of issuance of stocks and bonds of railroads.

Removal of all doubt of authority of the Commission to require the erection of depots, and additional power to require the construction of side-tracks.

Power to regulate the interchange of freights and cars

in order to secure to shippers the right to route their goods and to prevent discriminations.

Speedier methods of enforcing the orders of the Commission to compel railroads to immediately accord to the public rights which are due them.

After asking for this legislation the Commission adds:

“We have exercised, and are now exercising, all the authority that has been granted us. Our experience, and the complaints continually received from the people, clearly indicate that the additional authority recommended is necessary to their protection. If they expect relief in these particulars they must look, not first to this Commission, but to their Senators and Representatives whom they elect to the General Assembly, and who alone have the power to authorize the Commission to correct the ills complained of.”

You cannot be too careful in legislating upon the subject of railroad control. A wise and rigid control of these properties is of the utmost importance to our people, and is essential to the growth of our commerce.

#### STREET RAILROADS.

I advise that the authority of the Railroad Commission be so extended as to give them power to regulate charges on street railroads, and exercise such control over them as may be needed to give good service to the public, and adjust disputes between them and the public when made by any party interested, or by the authorities of the city in which such street railroad may be operated. The sole power to de-

termine those questions should not vest in the street railroad corporation. The authority to pass upon them should be vested in some tribunal, and that tribunal should not be in the control of, or created by, those directly interested in the questions to be submitted to it.

#### TELEPHONE SYSTEMS.

The Railroad Commission now has jurisdiction over Railroad, Telegraph and Express Companies.

The same reasons which induced the State to give them authority over these, demand that their power be so extended as to bring under their control all Telephone Companies.

The charges made by Telephone Companies should be fixed by the Commission. In my opinion they are now so excessive in their charges as to demand the interference of the State in behalf of the citizen.

Each of these companies are what are usually termed natural monopolies, and should be controlled by the government.

#### EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS.

There has been a constant and marked improvement in our common schools. The steady and gradual increase in the appropriations for their maintenance has resulted in multiplying the number of permanent schools, arousing greater interest among the people in education, improving the character of school buildings and increasing the efficiency of teachers.

In this campaign against ignorance our columns should

not retreat, but move steadily to the front until the enemy is vanquished and the banner of light, knowledge and virtue floats in triumph over the field.

#### UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

The people of the State are to be congratulated upon the ever increasing prosperity and usefulness of their University. With the increased room and facilities furnished by your late appropriation thereto, and the purchase of the new farm, if assured of permanency of its income, its still greater usefulness can not be doubted.

On the 7th of October last two hundred and sixty-seven students had been registered. Of them sixty-five per cent. are members of various churches, to wit: one hundred Methodists, eighty-one Baptists, thirty-eight Presbyterians, thirty Episcopalians, five Catholics, six Jews, three Christians, one Lutheran, and one Unitarian. Of the fathers of those students, seventy-eight are farmers, forty-four lawyers, forty-two merchants, nineteen doctors of medicine, nine bankers, six teachers, six preachers, and eight insurance men, besides various other occupations.

For further details you are referred to the annual report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, submitted according to law.

#### GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

I am pleased to note the increased attendance at the School of Technology. The two hundred and twenty-five students now there give evidence that practical education

is receiving the serious attention of our people. The school offers scientific courses of high grade in mechanical, electrical, and civil engineering.

The new dormitory is filled with students who are under wholesome regulations and protected from evil influences by the supervision of the authorities. A high standard in scholarship and skill in shopwork is required, and the school takes rank with the best technical institutions in the country.

Georgia, being near the center of the cotton growing area of the Union, should provide for the instruction of her sons in the manufacture of cotton goods. New England has taken steps in this direction for the protection and advancement of her manufactures. The textile schools which have been established at the North are bound to militate to the detriment of our own cotton industries unless they are met with similar institutions in the South. A department of Textiles should be added to the School of Technology for the purpose of giving our young men the opportunity of becoming experts in the manufacture of cotton goods. I am assured that such a measure would receive substantial aid from many prominent firms and citizens, and on account of the present excellent equipment of the school, the first cost would be reduced to a minimum.

#### GEORGIA NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE.

This institution, whose curriculum embraces a Literary, a Normal and an Industrial course, is doing a great work for the State by supplying its schools with well educated,



trained teachers, developing the brain and increasing the culture of her daughters, and rendering them capable of being, when necessary, self-sustaining and independent.

So great is the popularity of this college that had its accommodations been adequate it would have in attendance six hundred students.

Several hundred applicants were unable to gain admission at this term on account of the limited accommodations.

The course of study in the Normal department is considerably in advance of the examinations given applicants for first grade license in our common schools.

Under existing laws the graduates of the North Georgia Agricultural and Medical College at Dahlonega, State Normal School at Athens, Middle Georgia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Milledgeville, Gordon Institute at Barnesville, are permitted to teach in the common schools without further examination.

I therefore recommend that the same right be accorded the graduates of the Georgia Normal and Industrial College.

#### STATE NORMAL SCHOOL AT ATHENS.

This school has become a very valuable part of our educational system and is worthy of your aid and encouragement.

In the management of various public institutions it has been found of great advantage to the institutions and a relief to the officers in charge to have some of the trustees located so as to be accessible to the institution. It is not

advisable to change the *personnel* of the present excellent Board of Commissioners who are charged with the immediate control of the institution, and as their present number, five, is rather small, I recommend that the Governor be authorized to appoint, from the county of Clarke, two additional members to said board.

NORTH GEORGIA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL  
COLLEGE AT DAHLONEGA, GA.

I enjoyed the pleasure of attending the commencement exercises of this very excellent institution, and gladly testify to its usefulness. It is doing a magnificent work for North Georgia and deserves the encouragement which it has received at the hands of the General Assembly.

TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The Trustees of the School of Technology, Academy for the Blind and School for the Deaf all hold office for life. If by death or resignation there is a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners of the Technology School, it is filled by the remaining members. The Board is self-perpetuating

Life terms in any position is against the genius of our government. It is certainly not in accord with the views of the people of Georgia.

Institutions maintained on appropriations made by the State should be under the control of men commissioned

for a limited term of years, and not for life, and I recommend that the laws be so amended as to conform to this view.

The trustees of each of these institutions are excellent men and are performing their duties with commendable fidelity, but this does not affect the soundness of the policy which I advocate.

#### PENSIONS.

The appropriations made at your last session were sufficient for the payment of all approved pensions except those known as indigent pensions (Act 1894, page 32). After payment in January, 1897, of the rolls for 1896, there was left a balance of \$40,380.00. Instead of paying in full each new claim as it was approved, it was thought advisable to pay no new applicant until all pending cases had been passed on by the Commissioner of Pensions. When such examination was concluded, twice as many claims were approved as could be paid \$60.00 each from the unexpended balance, and the same was prorated, allowing \$30.00 to each, just half the amount, had the appropriation been sufficient. In view of the increase in this class of pensioners, it will be necessary for you to make for their payment in 1898, an additional appropriation of \$40,000.00, which does not take into consideration the new claims to be passed on for that year.

I respectfully advise that no special pension be granted except the claim has been approved in due course of law. Many reasons may be urged against this kind of legislation,

but it is only necessary to refer to the constitution, Art. I., Sec. 4, Par. 1, providing that "no special law shall be enacted in any case for which provision has been made by an existing general law."

Nor should any pension be paid for any time prior to the date of its approval, unless all are so paid, as new claims are continually being placed on the rolls, and, if one be paid, then it seems only just to pay all back to the passage of the original law, or, at least, to the time at which the claimant may have become entitled.

The liberality with which our State has dealt with its veterans and their widows is a source of pride to all Georgians. I submit to you the following statement, showing what is done this year by each of the States for the soldiers of the Confederacy that you may, by making a comparison, the better appreciate the generosity of the noble people of this State:

	GENERAL PENSIONS.		SOLDIERS' HOME.		TOTAL.	
	Number.	Paid.	No. Inmates.	Paid.	Number.	Paid.
Alabama	7,105	\$ 116,532	None.	\$	7,105	\$ 116,532
Arkansas	1,386	35,000	49	7,105	1,385	42,105
Florida	600	65,000	None.		600	65,000
Georgia	10,437	572,980	None.		10,437	572,980
Kentucky	None.		None.		None.	
Louisiana	None.		70	Estimated.		Estimated.
Maryland	None.		Estimated.	10,000	70	10,000
Mississippi	None.	75,000	75	10,500	Estimated.	10,500
North Carolina		105,000	67	8,500	75	75,000
South Carolina	4,714	100,000	None.		4,714	113,500
Tennessee	537	59,940	100		637	100,000
Texas	None.		175	8,500	175	68,440
Virginia	3,541	110,800	246	38,258	3,787	88,258
				30,000		140,800
Paid by all States						\$1,353,115
Paid by Georgia .						\$572,980
Paid by all other States . . . . .						780,135—
						1,353,115

As the old heroes feel more heavily the hand of time, their wounds and infirmities require them to lean more on the helping hand of the State, and I confidently believe that our people will continue to respond to their needs with generous aid.

STATE PURCHASING AGENT.

That the State can make a large saving by advertising for bids on every purchase and on every contract to be awarded, has been demonstrated during my administration by the low prices at which the Georgia Reports and the Code were published, the decreased cost at which contracts were let for improvements to the public property, and the reduction in the price at which stationery was secured, on competitive bids. The saving upon these and other items is ample proof that this is the economic method for the State to adopt in making purchases and in letting contracts.

In large purchases made by the various departments of State and by educational and eleemosynary institutions, thousands of dollars can doubtless be saved each year, by purchasing for all in one lot, under competitive bids.

Even when the amount needed by one institution is small, the aggregate amount needed by all is often large, and can therefore be had at a much lower price.

While it will hardly be practicable to make all purchases through one agent, there is a sufficient number of articles which can be so purchased, and thus enable the State to make a large saving.

I recommend the passage of an Act which will require a bond of the keeper of Public Property, and which shall require that, when so directed by the Governor, he shall

make purchases of such amounts of goods and supplies for the various departments of State as may be needed and for the public institutions, according to the estimates of the respective Boards of Trustees.

The competitive bids should always be opened in the presence of three of the State House officials, and of such bidders as may desire to be present.

#### SINKING FUND

The one hundred thousand dollars sinking fund on hand is in the various state depositories, drawing only the two per cent. interest paid by the banks on the state's usual deposits.

It cannot be used for current expenses, and can only be paid on the state debt under restrictions imposed by the Constitution.

I recommend that the Governor and Treasurer be authorized to loan said fund on best terms that can be made, taking as security therefor recognized valid bonds of this state.

A compliance with this request will enable the state to secure a considerable sum of money from this source before all the sinking fund is needed to meet the bonds of the state falling due in 1915.

#### TENNESSEE CENTENNIAL EXPOSITION.

In accordance with a resolution passed by you at the previous session of your body the State has placed, at the Tennessee Centennial Exposition, an exhibit which has been deservedly admired by all who have seen it, and it is a splendid advertisement of our varied resources.

For this I can not too highly commend Hon. R. T. Nesbitt, Dr. G. F. Payne and Prof. W. S. Yeates, whose



energy, intelligence and good judgment have achieved so marked a success. The exhibit has been in charge of Commissioner Augustus DuPont, of Clinch County, Ga., whose services have been of great value to the State.

It will be remembered that this work has been done with money expended under a resolution approved Feb. 4th. 1897, one section of which reads as follows :

“That to meet the expenses of the above and foregoing, the Commissioner of Agriculture is authorized and directed to use the sum of fifteen hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary of the annual appropriation made to the Agricultural Department and whatever deficit may result to the said annual appropriation will be supplied by the General Assembly at its next session by appropriation from the direct tax fund or some other available fund now in the Treasury.”

There is now, of the Direct Tax Fund, an unexpended balance of fourteen hundred and thirty one dollars and three cents. (\$1431.03).

In his annual report to the Governor the Commissioner of Agriculture says:

I will call the attention of your Excellency, to the fact that this department is in pressing need of the money borrowed from it, to make the exhibit at Nashville, and I trust that as soon as the Legislature assembles, it will be immediately repaid, otherwise the work of the department will be seriously interrupted, as there are now bills due and falling due, which can only be met by the reimbursement of this money to the department.

#### BUCKET SHOPS.

The evil that is being inflicted upon the State by the operation of what is known as Bucket Shops is incalculably great. The possibilities of great wealth with which these places allure their victims are well calculated to mislead

and entrap men eager to grow rich, and is a tempting bait especially to the young. Lives are being constantly wrecked and fortunes squandered by these tempters. The material and moral welfare of the State demand that the Bucket Shops be suppressed.

#### ELECTION LAWS.

Laws regulating elections should effectually prevent fraud, and so guard the right of the elective franchise that the destiny of our State will be entrusted only to those citizens whose ballot is unpurchasable.

While earnestly desiring our State to follow in the wake of other States, and enact legislation which will guarantee honest elections, controlled by the votes of honest men, I will not now do more than call your attention to the importance of the subject. I would rejoice to see you deal with the entire subject at your present session.

In addition to legislation dealing directly with this grave question, the right to use money in elections should be strictly guarded and directions given how, and through what channels, it should pass. The experience of others has led them to make such provisions, and, in my opinion, we should take similar action.

The amount of money which can be used by a candidate before the people or General Assembly should be limited, the purposes specified by law, and the successful candidate should be required, before he assumes the duties of his office, to exhibit and file a sworn itemized statement of expenses which should not exceed the amount allowed by law.

For a violation of this law he should forfeit his right to the office to which he is elected.

Positions should not be awarded to men on account of the wealth they possess. The power and political influence of men should not, in the smallest degree, be measured by money, but by their moral and intellectual worth. The history of this country gives ample proof that the best service has been rendered the Republic by men whose study or questions affecting the public had so far monopolized their time that their own possessions were small.

The proposed measure should be sufficiently comprehensive to specify the purposes for which money can be used in a campaign in a party primary or final election, and free officials from that obligation, which is incurred by personally receiving from others a contribution to aid in securing an election.

If, for instance, candidates for the office of Solicitor General, Judge and United States Senator are permitted, by direct contributions, to place candidates and the party authorities, in the respective counties, under direct obligation to them by contribution to campaign fund, it will degrade political life, put capacity and worth at a discount, and make money the test of merit. The influence of money in politics is already too great, and should be promptly reduced to a minimum.

All contributions for political campaigns should be made direct to the party officials, and no man, not a resident of a county, should be permitted to contribute to the county election. To prevent undue influences of money from this source, such contributions should, in Congressional cam-

paigns, be given to the District Committee, and in State campaigns to the State Committee, to be by them expended where they think best.

To encourage worthy men who do not possess wealth, to secure a fair submission to voters of questions involving governmental policy and personal merit, to avoid the debauching of politics by the power of money, to guard the purity of the public service that government may merit the respect and confidence of the people, I earnestly ask that prompt action be taken to avoid the disastrous results which must follow the evils to which I have called your attention.

#### THE INCREASE OF CRIME.

The increase of our prison population is a matter for serious consideration. In 1869 there were only 393 convicts in our penitentiary; in 1871, 385; in 1874, 616; and now there are 2,357. This, of course, does not include those in the county chaingangs, numbering about 1,850.

The number in the penitentiary would be even larger but for legislation by your predecessors, under the provisions of which a large number who were convicted of felony has been sent to the county chaingangs.

In 1871, 15 per cent. of the convicts were white, and in 1897 8 per cent. are white. During this period the blacks in the penitentiary have increased 600 per cent.

While the increase in white convicts has been small, our penitentiary has been rapidly replenished from the ranks of the colored population. The number convicted in recent

years is much larger than just after they were given their freedom. More were received into the penitentiary in the year 1896 than in the years 1869, 1870 and 1871 combined. The whole number of convicts received from the establishment of the penitentiary, March 10th, 1817, to October 26, 1866, a period of 49 years and 7 months, was 2,029; total number received during the four years, 1894-5-6-7, was 2,307

The following table will show the commitments to the penitentiary for the last eighteen (18) years.

#### COMMITMENTS FROM 1878 TO 1896.

Two years, from October, 1878, to October, 1880, commitments...	443
“ “ “ “ 1880, to “ 1882, “ ...	588
“ “ “ “ 1882, to “ 1884, “ ...	596
“ “ “ “ 1884, to “ 1886, “ ...	777
“ “ “ “ 1886, to “ 1888, “ ...	775
“ “ “ “ 1888, to “ 1890, “ ...	966
“ “ “ “ 1890, to “ 1892, “ ...	1,090
One year, “ “ 1892, to “ 1893, “ ..	711
“ “ “ “ 1893, to “ 1894, “ ...	638
“ “ “ “ 1894, to “ 1895, “ ...	635
“ “ “ “ 1895, to “ 1896, “ ...	528
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Total for 18 years.....	7,747

This result has been reached in spite of the fact that in addition to what has been done by towns and cities supporting local school systems we have spent within that time about four million dollars in an effort to educate the colored people that they may become better citizens.

I am not ready to admit that this has been a waste, or that the race has retrograded in spite of the effort of the

State and philanthropic individuals to afford them educational advantages.

It is unquestionably true that a large number of the race have made great progress intellectually and morally. While this condition exists among the better element, a considerable percent of them have no regard for law or morals, and, from this element, the penitentiary is being replenished with alarming rapidity. How to correct this demoralization and elevate this people to a better standard of citizenship is a problem which must call into requisition the nobility of character and the wisdom of the Anglo-Saxon. I cannot discuss this question now further than to make one suggestion.

To educate this element without, at the same time, giving them moral instruction is an injustice to them and to society. It is, therefore, the part of wisdom to look more to character in selecting the teachers who are to receive our money for services in the school-room.

The best of the race intellectually and morally should be selected to teach in public schools. The law should require the school authorities to look closely into the conduct and character of each applicant before license is granted to teach. This provision should apply alike to white and black. In every way possible we should endeavor to improve the morals of the people by imparting, through the school-room, correct principles and pure morality. The teacher should not only train the mind but build noble characters.

This I suggest as one of the factors that would aid in reducing our criminal population.

This, however, must necessarily be slow in having its effect, while present conditions call for quick and repressive measures.

#### GOVERNMENT, CRIME AND LYNCHING.

The graver crimes are of alarming frequency and more seriously affect that portion of our population who reside outside the towns and cities. In these sections, the crime of burglary, arson and rape have become more frequent than in the years of disorder which followed the civil war.

The frequency of the offense of rape has become alarming in the extreme, and seriously interferes with the security and comfort of living in the country. There are now in the penitentiary seventy-eight convicts for assault to rape, and eighty-one for rape.

Of all crimes known to our law, these two are the most villanous. Their frequency has terrorized the people residing in rural districts, and so aroused their fear and resentment that it has been impossible in many of these cases to induce them to await the action of the courts.

Since November 1st, 1894, there have been twelve negroes lynched who were charged with rape and assault with intent to rape, and one white man who was charged with rape.

In addition to these, there have been seven negro men, one negro woman and one white man lynched who were charged with other offenses. Total for three years, 22, or a little more than 7 per year. These occurred in the following counties: Appling, Clinch, Dooly, Habersham



Monroe, Montgomery, Spalding, Muscogee, Talbot, Colquitt, Twiggs, Jasper, Calhoun and Bibb.

It is the duty of government to protect its citizens, and to do all that can possibly be done to prevent the commission of, not only, the offenses which have provoked the people to resort to such a reprehensible remedy, but all offenses, and to guarantee to every citizen charged with crime a trial before an impartial tribunal, as guaranteed by the Constitution.

In dealing with this question, the people of the Southern States are, of all people, in the most trying position. Here, a large per cent. of our population has been clothed with the rights and privileges of citizenship before receiving the training necessary to prepare them for the duties and responsibilities of so important a position.

If the same population had been placed among the people of any other section of the Union, they would have the same problem to deal with which now confronts us, and would find just as much human nature among their people as is exhibited by ours.

Notwithstanding the anomalous condition which exists here, our people deplore mob violence, but should be more determined in insisting upon leaving to courts and juries the punishment of violators of the law.

If defects exist in the law, the remedy is not to ignore and violate the law, but to amend it. The citizen cannot be justified in trampling upon law and assuming the functions of judge, jury and executioner.

It is the duty of the citizen to leave to the government, under which he lives, the righting of wrongs, and the pun-

ishment of crime. The man who ignores this obligation and assumes, with his own hand to punish crime, becomes a criminal.

The evil to which I allude is not restricted to this State or section, but is national.

The frequency of such occurrences within the last few years is calculated to alarm every citizen who realizes the dreadful results to which it leads, or the enormity of the crime against human rights, government and civilization. To denominate these offenses lynchings do not make them less lawless or barbarous.

It is an attack upon government itself—a conflict between the forces of anarchy and law. It is fundamentally wrong, because it defies government, ignores law and punishes without law or evidence. Under our government, laws are made and unmade at the will of the majority. If there are unwise laws, the people can repeal, if a need for one, the people can enact. Any organized effort to set at naught our laws and punish crime without and in defiance of the law is itself criminal. It is worse than criminal. In its very essence, it is treason against the majority and against government.

In the discussion of lynching, let it be clearly understood that it is not a question as to whether or not those guilty of crime shall be punished, but whether or not the innocent shall escape. Not a question as to whether the guilty shall be punished, but whether or not the act of punishing shall multiply criminals.

In a free government like ours there is no excuse for lynching. If there is evidence to convict the courts will

punish; if there is not, punishment should not be inflicted. The courts of our State can be trusted to punish the guilty and protect our property, our persons, and the honor and virtue of our women.

I am deeply concerned for a remedy for this evil that we may save from guilt the men who engage in it, and protect the innocent, who are too often sacrificed.

#### TRIAL BY MOB.

The mob is not a safe tribunal to justly determine any cause.

Not long since in this state it is said that a mob, which had gathered, failed to take action because of a division in their own ranks . . . one portion wishing to hang a man who had not been tried, and the other, to liberate one who had been tried, heard in all the courts and sentenced to be hanged for murder.

The mob judges without a full and complete hearing from both sides. Its members are not the most capable of judging. It decides in passion and, too often, in whiskey. How can it fail to make mistakes and sacrifice the lives of the innocent?

I feel the more deeply upon this question because from the best information I can secure, I believe, that during my administration there have been in this state several men lynched who were not guilty of the crimes with which they were charged. How many, can never be known, for their tongues are hushed, and they are denied an opportunity to prove their innocence. I am informed that one man

whom the mob believed to be guilty, was shot down. A question then arose as to his identity and he was salted down like a hog, shipped to the location of the crime and found to be the wrong man—an innocent man.

When an innocent man is lynched for a crime it serves to protect the guilty. The members of the mob, their friends, and sympathizers seek to impress it upon the community that the right one has been punished and the guilty goes unsought and unsuspected. Even during this year, evidence has come to light showing that in several States victims of the mob have been innocent men. During my term of office one man, who was rescued from the mob, was accorded a trial which resulted in showing that he was not guilty of the offense with which he was charged. Another fled from the mob to the Executive office, and asked for protection, and a trial by jury. They were given him, and it developed that he was not guilty of the charge for which the mob endeavored to take his life.

To what extent this practice has been or will be used for purposes other than the alleged reason given to the public will never be known. In one instance, not long ago, it was stated and accredited that a man who had been charged with rape came near being lynched. When the truth became known it brought to light the fact that the purpose in preferring the charge was to have him lynched in order to suppress his evidence against parties who had been violating the prohibition law. In another instance a man, charged with an assault upon a woman, escaped the mob, which was in pursuit, and established the fact that the charge was made against him to defeat the collection

of a debt. Had the parties been lynched it is not probable that their guilt would have been questioned.

These things serve to emphasize the importance of adhering to law, and of your so legislating as to suppress this evil, and guarantee to every one charged with crime a fair and impartial trial.

Responsibility for the crime of lynching rests not only upon actors, but upon the community which shuts its eyes to the crime and permits and tolerates it, and upon legislators who refuse to enact laws to suppress it.

It can and will be stopped when the better element who deprecate mob law aggressively condemn and determine to suppress the practice.

It is no excuse to say that the Northern people, who have less to provoke them to it, lynch. Let us not take them as a standard, but rather show a higher type of civilization in our State, and erect here a standard to which they may aspire.

#### LYNCH FOR WHAT CRIMES.

Lynch law has not been restricted to cases where the charge was an outrage upon a female. In Texas a man was lynched simply to suppress his evidence; in Kentucky because he was objectionable to the neighborhood, and in Indiana five men were lynched for burglary. In our State, in the last three years, seven men have been lynched for murder, and one man and one woman because they were suspected of arson.

## WHEN CHARGE IS RAPE.

Even had it been confined to offenses committed upon females it could not be justified.

To adopt it, in these cases, is to put the life of every man in the power of any woman who might for any reason desire his death. When such crimes are charged the passion of the people is more deeply stirred than by any other, and the mob is quick to act.

Yet, viewed from the standpoint of reason and not of passion, there is less excuse for lynching in such cases than in any other. Delay cannot be given as a reason, nor a fear that justice will be defeated. At Monticello and Columbus the men were taken out of the court room during the trial and lynched. In most cases they are taken from the custody of officers of the law, when they know that the court will convene and give a speedy trial. For this offense, above all others, the courts are quick to try, and if guilty, the juries certain to convict.

It is not then that they fear delay or the acquittal of the guilty, but it is a defiance of law. It is a desire to substitute passion for evidence and vengeance for justice.

There being no excuse to be found for fear of either delay or failure of justice, but one reason is left, and that is the objection to the outraged victim having to go into court and relate the horrible story. That this is a terrible ordeal, every one must concede, but human life must be valued even above this trial. She should undergo this trial, not as a sacrifice to the guilty, but to conform to the rules of law, which centuries of experience have demon-

strated to be absolutely essential for the protection of the innocent. The truth can not be had save by having both sides heard before an impartial tribunal.

To remove this objection, however, our law provides that, on such occasions, the Judge may order the courtroom cleared of all save the jurors and lawyers engaged in the case on trial.

There is therefore no justification nor excuse for a resort to lynching, even in this class of cases, when the defendant is charged with the most dastardly and horrible of crimes. No man doubts in these cases that the law will punish the guilty, and if he did, he could not find a remedy by making a murderer of himself. The remarkable fact exists that in a majority of instances the party lynched is taken from the custody of officers. I can understand how a near relative of the victim of the lust of a human brute who sees before him the man whom he believes has committed the outrage, and in the heat of passion, slays him, can enlist the interest and sympathy of a community; but how any one can fail to condemn those who are guilty of the cowardly act of taking from the officers of the law a man who is disarmed and helpless, and hanging him without trial, surpasses my comprehension.

#### EFFECT OF LYNCHING.

Both capital and worthy immigrants seek places where law is supreme and the frequent occurrences of lynching will advertise ours as a lawless State and as a half-civilized people.

It sacrifices the innocent, brings law into disrepute, creates

lawlessness, impedes material growth, and in the eyes of all the world lowers the standard of our civilization and degrades the character of our people.

This barbarous practice does not decrease, but increases crime. Having stained their hands in blood, its perpetrators are more easily led to again violate law. Recently a man tried on the charge of murder and convicted of shooting a citizen through the window, as he sat by his own hearthstone at night, confessed also that he it was who tied the rope around the necks of the two men who were lynched in Columbus in 1896. I condemn it and will not apologize for such lawlessness. To exterminate the practice it must be made odious and dangerous. The penalty should be the scorn of the people and the punishment of the law.

#### DUTY OF DEMOCRATS.

There is no room for debate upon this question. If there is, there is none for Democrats. With them the question is settled. There is but one position the members of that party can take.

In the campaign in which the members of this General Assembly were elected, the Democratic party went to the people upon a platform, adopted by the State Convention, in which this declaration is found, to wit:

*"Resolved, That we deplore and denounce lynchings and favor the enactment of such laws as will effectually prevent the same."*

I now ask the men who were elected upon this platform to enact into law provisions which will in good faith meet



the requirements of this declaration. I do not believe that you will dally with this question, or pass laws which will be ineffectual.

The Democratic party owes it to the people to live up to the pledges which it made to induce them to entrust it with power, or to come boldly to the front and admit that it wilfully and deliberately deceived to secure votes, and is unworthy the confidence of the people. Your action is to determine whether or not this condemnation can be truthfully uttered. To be honest is as much the duty of a political party as an individual.

Let the remedy which you apply be heroic and severe..

#### THE REMEDY.

In murder cases the complaint is that the cases can be too easily continued and justice unnecessarily delayed. I am not an advocate of hasty trials, but of prompt ones. No one should be rushed into a trial involving his life, when passion in the county where trial is to be had is at white heat and a fair trial impossible.

The law should in all cases permit the court, on motion of the defendant, or on its own motion, or on motion of State attorney, to change the venue to any county in the State. In determining whether or not to order a change of venue, the Judge should be authorized to exercise a very broad discretion and act upon all knowledge that he might possess bearing upon the question. If, in his opinion, a change of venue is necessary to secure a fair and impartial jury, he should order the change, and this decision,

should not be reviewed by the Supreme Court. The Authority of the Circuit Judge in such cases should be made plain and ample, and all doubt removed as to power of the Supreme Court to review his decision.

This change in our law, I believe, the first step necessary to secure, in all cases, prompt and fair trials.

In some instances it is difficult to secure a trial on account of the laws regulating the granting of continuances.

This can be remedied by leaving to the trial judge the sole power to pass upon motions to continue, denying to the Supreme Court the power to grant a new trial on account of alleged error in so doing. The circuit judge who knows the parties, the case, and its history, and has the witnesses on the question before him, can better determine whether the motion is made for delay only, and whether a fair trial and a just verdict can be had without further delay, than the Supreme Court.

Every practitioner knows that the right of continuance is the most abused of all rights granted by the law in court procedure, and in my opinion the circuit judge will correct the abuse if empowered to do so.

The law which gives the defendant more peremptory strikes than the State should be so amended as to give each party the same number. Under the existing law power is given the defendant to object without cause to so many jurors that he can, in many cases, pack a jury in his own interest.

I have heretofore recommended to the General Assembly, and again urge upon you, that the law be so amended as to punish assault with intent to rape with death, unless the

punishment be reduced upon the recommendation of the jury trying the case, just as it may be done now when the charge is rape.

Those who commit these offenses deserve to be punished under the same law.

It has been insisted by some that the way to stop lynching is to provide for the prompt punishment of all who commit the crimes which provoke it.

Neither the law's delay nor the failure of justice can be given as an excuse for lynchings in rape cases.

In dealing with the offense of rape in our courts there has been for the guilty no delay and no escape. Courts are promptly called, trials had, and justice quickly administered. In such cases the men whose names are in the jury boxes in Georgia can be relied upon to convict.

The evil will exist for a long time, if not disturbed, until public opinion is educated to the point where the condemnation is sufficiently intense and unanimous to make it impossible.

It is therefore necessary that, without waiting for this slow process, the majority representing law, order, justice and civilization, pass such legislation as will repress the lawless element and secure the reign of law. The certainty of prompt trials alone will not end lynchings. The delays of the law is a favorite excuse, but is not the real reason for its existence. Other legislation is needed to aid in checking it.

The arresting officer is now clothed with authority to take the life of the assailants when resisting their efforts to take a prisoner from his custody, and it is his duty to

take life if necessary to protect the prisoner and retain him in custody. This he should be required to do at the hazard of his own life, or the prisoner should be unshackled, armed and given an opportunity to defend himself. The knowledge on the part of the mob that this would be done would deter it from pursuing its lawless purpose, and the law would be permitted to protect the innocent and punish the guilty.

That it may be ascertained whether or not the officer having the prisoner in custody does his full duty in every instance, I recommend the passage of a law requiring a thorough investigation in every case and providing adequate punishment when he falls short of the full measure of his duty in protecting his prisoner. When this is done he should be ineligible to election or appointment to any office until his disabilities are removed by the General Assembly. The administrator or family of a party taken from the custody of an officer and killed, should be authorized to recover from the county the full value of his life, which, in no case, should be less than one thousand dollars. This provision will not only, by appealing to self interests, make the stronger influences in each community active in opposition to lynchings, but upon principle, is but doing justice to the family of the victim. When the State takes charge of a prisoner, it is its duty to protect him against all danger save the penalty of the law inflicted for the crime with which he is charged, and for failure to do so, it is just for damages to be paid. It cannot be seriously contended that the State has a right to disarm a citizen charged with crime, render him powerless to pro-

tect himself, and then surrender him to those who seek his life in violation of law, without justly incurring the obligation to pay damages therefor.

I do not ask that you restrict yourselves to the measures suggested by me. All that is asked is a remedy, and upon you rests the responsibility of providing it. If the suggestions herein made do not meet your approval, adopt others. I assure you that in your efforts to find the proper remedy you will have my hearty co-operation.

#### MISDEMEANOR CONVICTS.

The modification under recent legislation, of the penalties inflicted upon parties convicted of felony has so largely increased the number of convicts held in county chain-gangs that the question of proper disposition, treatment and management of them is of greater importance than heretofore.

The State's obligation, while inflicting punishment, to treat with humanity and reclaim to good citizenship those confined in the county chaingangs, is not diminished by reason of the counties' authority over them. The county is the creature of the State and for any failure on its part to do its duty by the convicts committed to its care, the State is responsible.

Having received, in 1895, information that led me to believe that the misdemeanor convicts were not being held and treated as the law and humanity required, I appointed Hon. R. F. Wright, of Elbert county, former assistant keeper of the Penitentiary, to inspect the various camps

and make report thereon, that the General Assembly might be placed in possession of information which would enable it to take the proper action. He was not able to complete this work before the convening of the General Assembly, but believing that the information already gathered was sufficient to show the necessity for legislation, and to induce the application of the needed remedy, I discontinued the inspection and placed before the General Assembly the report of Mr. Wright upon his work done up to that time.

This very able report by Mr. Wright will be placed before you and to it I invite your attention.

During this year I had reason to believe that abuses still existed in the management of this class of convicts, and that the publicity given, by the discussion of the Wright report, to the illegality of hiring them to private parties had not corrected the evil. I employed Hon. P. G. Byrd, of Floyd county, to locate and inspect all camps where misdemeanor convicts were worked, and make report thereon. His clear and comprehensive report has been printed, and will be placed before you.

The facts stated in these two reports leave no room for doubt that legislation is needed to properly regulate the care and treatment of this class of convicts, which now number more than eighteen hundred. After learning from this report that six hundred and thirty-seven of these convicts were held and worked by private parties, who had secured them from the county authorities in violation of law, I communicated the facts to the Judges and Solicitors, from whose courts they were sentenced. Upon receipt of

this information, these officers acted with commendable promptness, and took steps to have the convicts worked in compliance with law and the sentence of the Court. This reform has already greatly increased the forces at work on the public roads, and will be of incalculable value in promoting the improvement of our highways.

It is not enough, however, that these men are remanded to the custody of those who are authorized by law to control them. The Wright and Byrd reports will clearly show that this is not the only reform needed. The end to be secured is uniform and humane treatment. This can best be secured by State inspection and enforcement of rules prescribed by the penitentiary authorities. Under the existing system, there is probably no two camps where the same treatment is given or the same rules govern. Certain it is that at some camps confinement for three months is worse than for twelve months at others.

This inequality applies not to the private camps only, about which so much has been said, but to the County camps also. The facts stated in the reports bearing upon this question are so convincing and irresistible that I need only refer you to them.

I earnestly recommend that the State provide for regular inspection of these convicts by a State officer whose duty it shall be, while wholesome punishment is being inflicted, to see that their treatment is humane and that the rules provided for their government, and of those in charge of them, are enforced.

Subject to the supervision of the State, all misdemeanor

convicts should remain in the care, custody and control of the County authorities, as under existing laws.

Now, while we are providing for the disposition of our penitentiary convicts, it is best that we also supply the legislation needed to properly regulate and direct the management of county chaingangs.

#### THE PENITENTIARY.

The General Assembly, at its present session, is confronted with the duty of providing for the disposition of the inmates of our penitentiary after April 1, 1899, at which time the existing lease will expire. This will be but three months after the adjournment of the General Assembly, which will convene in October, 1898. If the State is to take charge of its own penitentiary, house, care for, control and furnish employment for its convicts, three months will not give sufficient time to make the necessary preparation. On the other hand, if under any plan they are to be housed in part, and only a part are to be worked for others, this time would be too short either to arrange for employment or for quarters. Should action be delayed until the session of 1898, we would find the State utterly unable to make adequate arrangements to either hire or work its convicts before the expiration of the lease, and if forced to have others employ them, we would, in their disposal, be entirely at the mercy of the present lessees, who alone would be prepared to house or give employment to them.



It is then an imperative duty to meet this question and solve it at your present session.

Our prison population is about 4,100, of which 2,224 are penitentiary convicts. The problem presented is the gravest which has confronted the State government for many years. We are not only to direct how the products of industries are to be affected by the direction given the energy of these workers, but protect taxpayers from a needless burden, and meet the requirements of humanity and Christianity by securing for the convicts merciful treatment, and throwing around them influences which will elevate and reform. We cannot afford to inaugurate a system which will make worse citizens of the inmates of the penitentiary. Such an one will wrong the individual, increase crime and multiply the dangers which threaten society.

Our civilization, the heart and intelligence of our people, must be exemplified in the law which contains a solution of this great question. The penal system of a country should keep pace with the upward march of a people, and is generally accepted as evidence of the character of its civilization.

To reach a just conclusion, however, it is necessary to know the precise social condition which exists, and the moral and intellectual condition of the criminal element which the prison system is expected to effect. In agreeing upon the plan to be adopted we must keep in view the peculiar conditions which exist in our State, and the character and capacity of our prison population.

At the very threshold of this discussion, the proposition should be accepted by all that the law consigns men to

the penitentiary not to become petted children of the State, but to punish them for wrong-doing.

The purpose of the establishment of a penal system is to deter others from violating the law and to protect and improve society by the punishment and reformation of the criminal. In the accomplishment of this purpose the convicts should be safely kept, surrounded by healthy conditions, humanely treated, confined at hard labor and encouraged by good influences to reform their characters and become law-abiding citizens.

That system which will meet all the requirements of this statement, with least expense to the law-abiding citizens of the State, and come least in competition with free labor, is the one to be adopted. When it is remembered that the expense entailed by the confinement and trial of men charged with crime is a heavy draft upon the resources of the honest citizens of the State, it cannot be questioned that it is entirely legitimate that the State secure from the labor of its convicts such income as may be had consistent with the conditions and duties above stated.

Before entering upon a detailed discussion of the system which I shall hereafter recommend, I desire to give my reason for rejecting some plans which have found advocates in this State.

#### PRESENT LEASE SYSTEM.

At the Democratic State Convention which nominated me for Governor in 1896, I requested the Committee on Resolutions to embody in the platform, to be reported by

it for adoption, a plank placing the party in opposition to the present lease system. When the platform was read and adopted, containing not even a reference to this subject, I was uncertain whether or not it meant by this silence that the convention contemplated a re-enactment of that system. If so, I knew that I would not make the race for Governor. That I might not mislead any one upon this subject, and give the convention an opportunity to disapprove of my position and name another candidate, I announced in my address to the convention that, if elected, and a bill was passed re-enacting the system, I would veto it. To this announcement I must adhere, because it is my pledge, made to the people, and because in my opinion now it is the proper position for the State to assume.

Any penal system is fundamentally wrong and vicious which requires the State to part with the control of the convict, and gives him into the custody of private parties. I do not care to go further into a discussion of this system, than to make this statement. However many reasons may exist against it, this one, in my opinion, is sufficient to demand its abandonment.

#### ON PUBLIC ROADS.

To say in general terms that the convicts should be put to work upon the public highways is an alluring and captivating suggestion. Yet a thorough and intelligent study of the question leads uniformly to the conclusion that this should not be done.

In considering this phase of the question, I have not

undervalued the social and economic advantages to be derived from improved public highways.

We are greatly in need of good roads, and have reached the point where we must engage in the building of smooth and permanent roadways, but the State should not bear the burden of building them nor should the penitentiary convicts be employed upon them.

The principle of local self-government is as far-reaching in its application, and as wise a policy of government as ever in the past. The county should do all things which the State cannot do better, and the State all things save those which the general government can do better.

The roads within the respective Counties are of local interest, and can be better and more economically attended to by County authorities. If the responsibility of building, repairing and establishing local roadways is to be surrendered by the Counties, and assumed by the State, where is this new danger of State centralization to end? When this new obligation is assumed there will necessarily go with it the obligation to build and repair all bridges now built and maintained by the respective Counties. When this step is taken there is no halting place until the State builds all court-houses and jails, pays all court expenses—all County taxes are abolished, all County authority over local affairs surrendered, and the General Assembly of the State becomes the arena where Counties must contest for such a share of State taxes as can be secured for carrying on their local affairs.

The State has already gone far enough with its interference in County matters, and the time has arrived when

the counties should insist upon retaining all power now vested in them by law.

Railroads are now the channels for freight and passenger traffic. Dirt roads are only local and not State highways. If this was ever a debatable question, it was when dirt roads were the means of travel and channels of commerce not only from one County to another, but between States. The advent of the railroad has beyond question, localized the wagon road. It being a matter of local interest, and one which local authorities can attend to with greater economy and efficiency, I am unalterably opposed to so extending the power and duty of the State as to have these roads worked by State authorities and at State expense.

If the proposition be not to have the State do this work, but for each County to take charge of its own convicts and work its roads, to this there are also serious and controlling objections. As many counties have not enough convicts to organize and work, and many others, in the flat sandy section of the State, think they do not need to so employ them, such a plan would work an injustice to such counties. I append hereto a statement showing how many are now in the penitentiary from each County, that you may see the impracticability of this plan:

## SHOWING PRISON POPULATION BY COUNTIES IN 1896.

*From Report Principal Keeper, 1896.*

COUNTY.	NO.	COUNTY.	NO.	COUNTY.	NO.
Appling,	12	Fayette	5	Newton	19
Baker	5	Floyd .	50	Oconee .	9
Baldwin	15	Forsyth	7	Oglethorpe	7
Banks .	4	Franklin.	8	Paulding.	5
Bartow	10	Fulton.	244	Pickens.	5
Berrien	11	Gilmer .	1	Pierce	13
Bibb. .	121	Glascokk.	10	Pike .	20
Brooks	10	Glynn	49	Polk.	19
Bryan	12	Gordon	2	Pulaski.	10
Bulloch.	20	Greene	15	Putnam	15
Burke	48	Gwinnett	6	Quitman.	5
Butts .	15	Habersham.	7	Rabun.	7
Calhoun	12	Hall . .	10	Randolph	22
Camden .	7	Hancock.	10	Richmond	46
Campbell	5	Haralson.	3	Rockdale.	8
Carroll. .	9	Harris	17	Schley.	7
Catoosa. . .	3	Hart . .	8	Screven.	26
Charlton .	6	Heard	5	Spalding.	18
Chatham. .	176	Henry	20	Stewart.	24
Chattahoochee	6	Houston.	22	Sumter	48
Chattooga .	2	Irwin.	6	Talbot	16
Cherokee.	9	Jackson	19	Taliaferro.	5
Clarke	7	Jasper	11	Tattnall	22
Clay.	9	Jefferson	18	Taylor	2
Clayton	15	Johnson	4	Telfair.	13
Clinch. .	8	Jones.	9	Terrell	6
Cobb. . .	28	Laurens	16	Thomas	19
Coffee	10	Lee.	6	Towns	
Columbia.	8	Liberty.	25	Troup	17
Colquitt	3	Lincoln	5	Twiggs	6
Coweta. .	28	Lowndes.	20	Union.	2
Crawford..	7	Lumpkin.	3	Upson	5
Dade. .	7	Macon.	11	Walker	11
Dawson	1	Madison.	10	Walton.	16
Decatur.	44	Marion.	12	Ware. .	16
DeKalb	29	McDuffie	13	Warren	11
Dodge	20	McIntosh.	18	Washington	39
Dooly . .	17	Merriwether	20	Wayne	15
Dougherty	45	Miller	5	Webster	4
Douglas	3	Milton .	2	White . .	1
Early.	8	Mitchell	19	Whitfield.	10
Echols..	1	Monroe.	10	Wilcox.	17
Effingham	7	Montgomery.	14	Wilkes	15
Elbert .	14	Morgan.	11	Wilkinson	11
Emanuel	41	Murray		Worth	22
Fannin. .	1	Muscogee	55		
				Total..	2,357

Are the Counties prepared to consent to the increase of tax rate which this will make necessary? It will be more expensive than working misdemeanor convicts, and in my judgment the average cost in all Counties will, on account of the small number in each, be greater than free labor. It is difficult to manage twenty-seven (27) camps now. What will be the result when we make it possible to have 137 camps, scattered over the State?

If some counties are allowed to take charge of their convicts and work them upon their public roads, it would be unfair to those counties not working theirs, in that the first named would receive not only the benefit of the labor of their own convicts, but would share in the profits accruing to the State from the convicts under State control.

It has, however, been suggested that, without the State assuming the entire duty of building and repairing the roadways of the State, it undertake the burden of aiding the respective Counties to the extent of sustaining and working the penitentiary convicts upon the public roads.

It will take a large expenditure of money, thousands of dollars, to purchase the outfit—stock, machinery, tools, etc., and in addition thereto a considerable sum to repair and supply losses and deficiencies. To this you must add the sum of two hundred and seven thousand dollars as the necessary annual cost of guarding, clothing, bedding and feeding the convicts.

Bearing in mind that this large expenditure must be raised by taxation upon the people of the entire State, and not upon the people of any particular County or Counties, the question arises, in what section of the State are

the convicts to be worked, and what sections are to be neglected? What particular roads are to be worked and which to be omitted? As heretofore said, in some of the Counties it is claimed that the convicts are not needed upon the highways. Who are to be served first and who are to wait, and how long? What is the justice of taxing all the Counties of the State to work the roads of only a part of the Counties? The elements of cost must be considered in passing upon either proposition looking to working the penitentiary inmates upon the public roads. There are, however, other objections, which to my mind are insuperable. Such a disposition will forbid their safe keeping, humane treatment, benefit of proper influences to encourage reformation of character and increase the dangers to society.

The migratory life required by road work would render it impossible to have the convicts quartered in safe and comfortable buildings, and in suitable localities. To adopt the system of confining these long-term men, winter and summer, year after year, in portable cages would be brutal.

Such close confinement in contracted and uncomfortable cages would be bad, but it is not the only objection. The want of proper sanitary conditions and arrangements for privacy and cleanliness must receive due consideration. The crude and inadequate quarters will make it worse upon the convicts, the increase in the number of escapes will make it worse for society. The fact that these escapes will occur in the rural districts makes the danger to society doubly great. Work upon the public roads cannot be even so much concentrated as it is in railroad building, and the chances for escape will therefore be greater.



The reason for it may not be clear, but it is unquestionably and lamentably true that a large per cent. of our criminals are more daring and desperate characters than ever before. We now have in the penitentiary more of that class than ever, which by reason of persistence in crime, may be denominated professional criminals. To distribute these convicts upon the public roads throughout the State would make the life and property of farmers less secure, endanger their homes and terrorize their wives and daughters.

That you may have some idea of the character of the men proposed to be placed upon the public roads, I append hereto a statement showing the number for each offense:

SHOWING NUMBER OF CONVICTS FOR EACH OFFENSE  
IN 1896.

*From Report Principal Keeper, 1896.*

Arson . . . . .	69
Attempt to murder. . . . .	256
Attempt to rape . . . . .	78
Aiding escape . . . . .	8
Burglary . . . . .	870
Bigamy . . . . .	6
Bestiality . . . . .	10
Breaking and entering railroad car . . . . .	15
Embezzlement . . . . .	1
Forgery . . . . .	50
Infanticide. . . . .	2
Incest . . . . .	3
Interfering with railroad switch. . . . .	3
Kidnapping . . . . .	3
Larceny after trust. . . . .	17
Larceny from house . . . . .	32

Larceny from person. . . . .	3
Mayhem. . . . .	2
Manslaughter . . . . .	138
Murder . . . . .	373
Obstructing railroad train . . . . .	
Perjury . . . . .	10
Personating another . . . . .	1
Receiving stolen goods . . . . .	4
Rape . . . . .	81
Robbery . . . . .	79
Simple larceny . . . . .	212
Unlawful shooting and stabbing. . . . .	24
Wrecking railroad train. . . . .	3
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Total . . . . .	2,357

The conclusion reached by other States, adverse to the proposition to employ felony convicts upon public roads, is a wise one, whether viewed from the standpoint of humanity, or from that which demands protection for society.

In dealing with the question now under consideration, we must keep clearly in mind that the inmates of the penitentiary and of the County chain-gangs cannot be dealt with in the same way. The one is convicted of a felony, a crime—the other a misdemeanor, a misbehavior; the one is under sentence for terms varying from one year to life, the other under sentence varying from one day to one year. The inducement to escape is greater to the convicted felon, and as a rule he is a more desperate character, and more dangerous when at large. It is therefore easier and less expensive to manage the County convicts, and it is practicable to utilize them upon works where pen-

penitentiary convicts cannot be properly used. If the parties convicted of misdemeanors are not sufficiently numerous to answer the demands of Counties desiring to use them upon the public highways, it may be well to allow any County on certain conditions, to supplement its force with such convicts which it has sent to the penitentiary for a term of less than two years. To prevent County chain-gangs securing from this source the custody of desperate characters, the requisition should always be made by the County authorities, who will, before applying, make themselves acquainted with the character of the convicts. Then, before being honored, their application should be approved by the judge who tried the case and the Prison Commission. By the adoption of this plan the forces at work upon the roads of the State can be materially strengthened without detriment to the public interest. This provision should not go into effect until experience has demonstrated that, when all misdemeanor convicts are worked by County authorities, in compliance with law, there is not enough of them to do the road work required by the Counties working convict labor.

When this provision is made effective it should be accompanied by a requirement that sufficient compensation shall be paid the State for the hire of the felony convicts to prevent counties having misdemeanor convicts to dispose of being forced to hire them to other counties for less than a fair price. If a county using convict labor can secure penitentiary convicts without cost, it will refuse to pay to secure misdemeanor convicts. Such refusal would seriously embarrass those counties not working their own convicts,

which desired to dispose of them to other counties. In truth, no felony convicts even of the two years class should be permitted to work upon a county chaingang unless there are too few misdemeanor convicts to meet the demands of the counties for public road work.

### THE SYSTEM PROPOSED.

Every person sentenced by the courts to penal servitude should remain in the custody and control of the State, and owe obedience to none but officers of the State. If private individuals receive the output of his work they should pay the State a stipulated sum therefor without having control of the convict.

The entire power, subject to Legislative restriction and direction, to locate and prepare a penitentiary, build and equip the necessary prisons, hospitals and other houses, control, care for, work, make contracts for, the employment of convicts, and appoint all needed officers and employees, should be vested in three citizens to be known as the Prison Commission. This Commission should be appointed immediately upon the passage of the Act, and at once proceed to select and purchase the land necessary to conduct the work of the penitentiary. Whether the land purchased is in one or more tracts, said Commission should be directed to arrange separate quarters for boys, men and women.

The equipment of the penitentiary, under the appropriation to be made by this General Assembly, should only be sufficient to accommodate the boys, women, men not classed as able-bodied, and such able-bodied men as may be needed

to successfully carry on the work in which they may be engaged by the Prison Commission. The labor of the other able-bodied convicts should be hired out for a term of five years as hereafter stated.

It would not be just to the taxpayers of the State to undertake now to make so large an outlay as would be necessary to care for, house, and keep employed two thousand two hundred and twenty-four convicts.

The plan which I advocate contemplates and is capable of growing into a system in which the State maintains upon its own premises all convicts. Yet this vast power should not now be vested in the Prison Commission. The appropriation to be made and the directions given the Commission by you limit its power and authority.

All income from the penitentiary convicts not needed for sustenance should go into the State Treasury, from whence it could not be taken without legislative authority.

It would, therefore, be for the people of the State, speaking through their representatives in subsequent General Assemblies, to decide whether to complete this plan, or to permit the able-bodied men, to continue, under the control and direction of State officials, to work for others, the State receiving quarterly stipulated hire for their labor.

If in future the system, to which I look forward, be completed, and all convicts cared for upon the State's own premises, it must be a gradual growth. We should advance in this direction only as it becomes evident that they can be so employed in the central penitentiary as to make their labor profitable. They should not be taken from remunerative employment outside of the penitentiary,

where they are humanely cared for, and placed at unremunerative work in a penitentiary, where they are to become a burden upon the taxpayers. To what extent they are to be worked within walls at the expiration of the five years contracts is a question which the people can determine in the light of the experience had during that time. Of one thing I am certain, and that is that we should not now place all within walls at the enormous cost which would be necessary and run the risk of saddling upon the taxpayers the heavy burden of paying the loss which might be incurred in this experiment.

#### REFORMATORY FOR BOYS.

The department established for the care of boys should be known as the State Reformatory.

Here should be received all boys convicted of felony, under the age of 17, whom the Judges in their discretion may sentence to a term in the reformatory. In addition to these it should receive all boys under age of 17 convicted of misdemeanors, when so sentenced by the court, upon receipt from the county where convicted of such sum as will in the judgment of the Prison Commission cover the cost to the State, if any, of keeping them. The female convicts under 17 years of age should be placed in the woman's department and given the same advantages and surrounded by the same influences as boys in the reformatory.

The inmates of this institution should be employed in farming and such other labor as the Commission may select, keeping in view the necessity of preparing them

when discharged for some permanent occupation, and the necessity of, as far as possible, making them self-supporting while in custody of the State.

They should be given the benefit of such educational advantages as may be provided, and care taken to impart such moral instruction and training as will aid in making them useful citizens. In my opinion this department can and should be made self-sustaining.

#### WOMEN CONVICTS.

The women convicts should have a prison separate from all others.

This under the care of a matron, subject to the superintendent, should be occupied by women and girls exclusively.

Those not assigned to camp duty can be employed in mending and making clothing for themselves, the boys, and other convicts. If other employment is necessary to keep them engaged, they may be required to work gardens, or do such other service as the Commission may direct. As the penitentiary is at present constituted, each woman would have to do the sewing for forty-five convicts. If at any time it becomes apparent that more can be done by them or that it is advisable to engage them otherwise, the Commission can determine how they shall be employed.

#### MEN CONVICTS.

All male convicts not classed as able-bodied, who can be so cared for there, should be kept in the penitentiary to be prepared prior to the expiration of the lease and placed

at work. Here also should be sent such able-bodied men as we are then prepared to care for, who may be needed to help carry on successfully the work in which the second-class convicts are engaged. The remainder, which will probably approximate 1,800 men, should be engaged to work for such persons as might contract for their labor with the State, upon such conditions and limitations as you may direct.

The Prison Commission should be authorized to enter into contracts for the employment of convicts, for terms not to exceed five years, requiring payment to be made quarterly, and taking bond for the faithful performance of the contract.

In no instance shall power be given the employers to manage, direct, punish or control the convict. This authority should be retained by the State and exercised only by its officers. The State should arrange for their being properly housed, bedded, clothed, fed, punished and cared for in every respect, and it only should have power to say when and how much they shall work. The State and the employer should be the contracting parties, and no dominion exercised by the employer over the convicts. Under this system the State has the same control of convicts that it would have were it employing them on its own account, yet it would receive a fixed and certain amount for their labor and not be interested in the profit and loss account of the business at which they are worked.

As the present lease expires when the year is three months advanced, I suggest that the Prison Commission be



empowered, if they deem it advisable, to treat with the lessees with a view of securing such as may be needed to begin work for the State by January 1, 1899.

#### CHARACTER OF WORK TO BE DONE BY CONVICTS.

To determine upon the particular work in which convict labor in this State shall engage and give specific directions within narrow limits to the Prison Commission would, in my opinion, be unwise.

The Prison Commission should be men of high character and recognized ability, who will, in dealing with all matters, act with due deference both to the interest and the sentiment of the people whom they serve.

It need not be anticipated, however, that by some mysterious and inconceivable way the State will be able to take this large force out of all fields of labor and produce with it something that no one else ever has or can produce. The sentence of the court in every case is that they be confined at hard labor, and in complying with this mandate of the law they should be required to produce something that is of value; that will, if possible, make their labor remunerative to the State. This can and should be done without driving free labor from its present employment, and without unnecessarily coming in competition with it. Our convict labor must produce something or become a tax upon both the property and labor of the State, for he who thinks that the laborer escapes taxation is sadly mistaken. His name may not be upon the tax books, nevertheless he pays.

It is a difficult task to find employment at all times for two thousand two hundred and twenty-four people, and when not at work they are expensive to maintain and guard. We must find work for all these, and for some time we must find employment under the contract system for most of them. It should, in my opinion, be left to the Prison Commission, after considering the character of the work, the price offered and the extent to which it competes with free labor, to decide what contracts to make, and at what works to have them employed.

#### REFORMING INFLUENCES.

The legislation to be enacted by you should imperatively exact of the penitentiary authorities that the best possible influences be thrown around the inmates of our penal institutions to induce them to reform and at the end of their terms become useful and upright citizens. Ample opportunity for the encouragement of religious teachings and influences should be given, and every detail of their training and management should be so conducted, as to impress upon them the value of right doing, and to inculcate correct moral principles.

To accomplish this, care should be taken to select as employees, from the highest to the lowest, only men whose habits, character and influence are good.

How many of the convicts will improve under these surroundings I cannot portend. My hope is not as strong as I would like, but let us do our duty and for results trust in God. It is certain, however, in our treatment of convicts heretofore this feature has been too greatly neglected,

and the result suggests that we make an earnest, honest effort.

There are now in the penitentiary 1,903 who are serving their first term, 266 who are serving their second, 38 who are serving their third, 10 who are even serving their fourth term, 6 their fifth, and one the sixth term. How many, who having completed a term in the penitentiary, have subsequently been sentenced to the county chain-gangs cannot be known, as no records are kept from which the facts can be ascertained. We do know, however, how frequently the men who have been in the custody of the State for the purposes of punishment and reformation emerge only to commit the most outrageous and shocking crimes—to become outlaws. Too many of them upon receiving their discharges are vastly worse men, more dangerous citizens, than when they entered!

It is not right simply because they are criminals to refuse to obey the dictates of humanity, and endeavor to make them better. For the benefit of the individual, moral duty, religion and humanity require us to make an effort to rescue them. The security of society also demands that an effort be made for their reformation. The worse the man when he is released, the greater the danger to society, the more outrageous the crimes which he will commit. What must be the result to society, if, taking no account of those discharged from the county chain-gangs, four hundred men are annually discharged from the penitentiary worse citizens, readier for crime than when they entered. This suggests the penalty which a failure to do our duty will inflict upon the law-abiding people of the State. In obedience to

the duty which we owe our fellowman, and in behalf of society to which you owe protection, I invoke you to so legislate upon this question as to subserve this high and noble purpose.

#### BOARD OF PARDONS.

If, in disposing of the convict problem, you provide for the creation of a Prison Commission, I recommend that there be conferred upon it the duties of a Board of Pardons.

While under our Constitution the power to grant pardons can only be exercised by the Governor, this body can be of invaluable aid to him because of their knowledge of the convicts under its control, and by sharing the responsibility, greatly lighten his burden, when undergoing those fearful trials when human life is placed in the power of one man who must decide the issue upon human testimony

#### BOARD OF TAX EQUALIZERS.

In my message to the general assembly in 1895, in discussing the need of a new assessment law, I said:

“In reference to the value of property as shown by the Comptroller-General’s report, gathered from tax returns, it is my duty to say to you that it does not approximate the real or market value of the property of the citizens of the State subject to taxation. Under the present system of making tax returns, outside of where the returns are affected by local assessment systems of towns and cities, each man is his own tax-assessor and places upon his property such value as he sees fit, even himself in many instances

confessing that the amount at which it has been returned by him for taxes bears no approximate relation to the real value of the property. While the Legislature nominally fixes the tax rate for the State to be collected from her citizens, each citizen has the power to fix his own tax rate, and many of them do fix it at an unjustly low rate by placing a value upon their property far below its value and on a scale much lower than that by which the property of their neighbors is valued. The man who pays taxes upon property unfairly valued at \$500, while on property of the same value his neighbor pays on \$1,000, is lowering his own tax rate one-half, depriving the State of its just revenue, and placing an unjust burden upon his honest neighbor who values his property correctly.

I most earnestly recommend that some plan be devised by which the State can arrive at something like a just valuation of the property of its citizens subject to taxation, and protect the man who honestly returns his taxes against impositions from those who return their property at an improper valuation. It is well to bear in mind that any plan which you may adopt will, when put in practical operation, prove imperfect, but as these defects appear it will be the duty of your successor to correct them and continue to perfect the law. Certain it is that no system which can be adopted can be open to greater abuses or more flagrant injustices than the law under which our property is now returned for taxes. A proper plan for assessment of property for taxation will not only equalize values but place upon the tax books a vast amount of personal effects which now escape taxation.

I call your especial attention to the very excellent discussion of this question by the Comptroller-General, in his annual report, which will be placed before you.

#### STATE BANKS.

There are in this State 143 State banks and bankers, and twenty-seven National banks.

The bare recital of this fact gives emphasis to the statement that in the interest of the stockholder, borrower and depositor, our banking laws should be the best.

You are urged to carefully consider the recommendations in the Treasurer's Report and take action thereon.

If, for any reason, you are not able to deal satisfactorily with this important subject during the present session, I recommend that you authorize the appointment of a commission to be composed of five citizens, to study our banking laws and report to the next General Assembly what legislation is advisable to improve them.

#### COWPENS MONUMENT.

At the celebration of the Centennial of the Battle of Cowpens, it was determined to erect a monument in commemoration of that event, and a committee appointed to invite the co-operation of the original thirteen States and the State of Tennessee. Each of these States consented to pay their allotted share of cost; Georgia agreeing to it through General A. H. Colquitt, who was at that time governor. The monument was erected at Spartanburg, S. C., and on a bronze tablet, along with the names of other States, Georgia appears as one of the States contributing to its erection.

All the States except Georgia paid their share of the cost of the monument years ago. From various causes the payment of our part of the contribution was delayed from year to year until 1896, when, to save the State from further humiliation, Georgia's talented and patriotic daughter, Miss Ella M. Powell, sent to South Carolina the \$240.00 due.

The position of Georgia in having failed to contribute for this monument to her revolutionary heroes, while its silent inscription is daily advertising to the World that Georgia shared in the honor of its erection, is a humiliating one, and I trust you will be able to devise some means to relieve her.

W. Y. ATKINSON,  
Governor.

## CLEMENCY.

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The following list contains the names of persons to whom clemency has been extended since my message in 1896, together with reasons for action in each case.

Pardons granted by the Governor without the recommendation of the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of 1894-95.

### FELONIES.

Doc Laming—Convicted of assault to murder. October term, 1891, Gilmer Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Previous good character. Conduct good since confinement. Recommended by judge, grand jury and trial jury. Pardoned November 5, 1896.

Henry Daniel—Convicted larceny from the person. November term, 1893, Cobb Superior Court. Sentence, five years. All money recovered. Recommended by judge. Granted November 17, 1896.

Colonel Mathis—Convicted of assault to rob. September term, 1894, Floyd Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Evidence entirely circumstantial. Asked for by solicitor-general, county officers and many citizens. Good conduct. Granted November 19, 1896.

Henry Briscoe—Convicted of assault to rob. September term, 1894, Floyd Superior Court. Sentence, four years.



Grave doubt as to guilt. Asked for by solicitor-general, representatives, county officers and many citizens. Granted November 19, 1896.

Will Groves—Convicted of assault to murder. October, 1895, Henry Superior Court. Sentence, eight years. Acted in self defense. Recommended by judge, jury, solicitor-general and prosecutor. Granted December 3, 1896.

Charley Williams and Alex Jones—Convicted of burglary. May, 1894, Screven Superior Court. Sentence, seven years. New evidence proves them not guilty. Granted December 5, 1896.

John Coleman—Convicted of burglary. October, 1892, Emanuel Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. A great deal of doubt about his guilt. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, county officers and citizens. Granted December 10, 1896.

Ernest Kabbe—Convicted of burglary. Spring term, 1895, Chatham Superior Court. Sentence, two years. Only fourteen years of age at time of conviction. Now shows marked evidences of reform. Pardon granted December 15, 1896.

John Fox—Convicted of assault to murder. Superior Court of Oglethorpe. Sentence, eight years. Only eleven years of age when convicted and has served six years. Granted December 15, 1896.

Jim Dean—Convicted of burglary. Spring term, 1893, Superior Court of Bibb county. Sentence, eight years. Only twelve years of age when convicted. Good conduct. Granted December 15, 1896.

Gus Dixon—Convicted of injuring a railroad switch. Fall term, 1894, Washington Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Only eleven years old when convicted. Good conduct. Granted December 15, 1896.

John Ford—Convicted of voluntary manslaughter. Spring term, 1894, Lowndes Superior Court. Sentence, three years. Conduct good. Term expires on 5th January, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

Wm. Cunningham—Convicted of assault to murder. Spring term, 1888, Chatham Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Term expires January 1, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

Bob Gibbs—Convicted of assault to murder. Fall term, 1892, McIntosh Superior Court. Sentence, five years. Good conduct. Term expires January 8, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

Ed Johnson—Convicted of shooting at another. Fall term, 1893, DeKalb Superior Court. Sentence four years. Good conduct. Term expires January 12, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

Hiram Sterling—Convicted of assault to murder. Spring term, 1889, Chatham Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Good conduct. Term expires 1st day of January, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

Island McDowell—Convicted of assault to murder. Fall term, 1893, Montgomery Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Good conduct. Term expires January 12, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

John Roebuck—Convicted of assault to murder. Spring term, 1895, Elbert Superior Court. Sentence, two years. Good conduct. Term expires January 22, 1897. Released in time to spend Christmas at home. Granted December 15, 1896.

King Betha—Convicted of simple larceny. March term, 1895, Washington Superior Court. Sentence, three years. At trial turned State's evidence. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 15, 1896.

Charlie Wheeler—Convicted of a felony. Cobb Superior Court, July, 1895. Had his leg severely crushed while felling a tree. Recommended by the judge. Granted December 15, 1896.

Jessie Giles—Burglary. April term, 1894. Stewart Superior Court. Recommended by trial jury, citizens, senator, representative. Granted December 17, 1896.

Houston Sirmans—Burglary. Brooks Superior Court. Sentence, twenty years. Recommended by judge and urged by general committee on Penitentiary. Granted December 17, 1896.

Harry Washington—Robbery. April term, 1894, Carroll Superior Court. Sentence five years. Evidence circumstantial. Guilt not at all satisfactory. Recommended by foreman of grand jury, judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 22, 1896.

Ella Fasen—Murder. November term, 1890, McIntosh Superior Court. Sentence, life. Asked for by senator, representative, members of penitentiary committee, several hundred citizens, by every county officer, grand jury and trial jury. Granted December 21, 1896.

Ernest Smith—Turning a switch. Superior Court of DeKalb. Recommended by jury. Health very bad. Asked for by judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 22, 1896.

Tom Pitman—Horse stealing. March term, 1895, Butts Superior Court. Strong evidence of an alibi. Urged by judge. Granted December 23, 1896.

Lewis Dooly and John Watkins—Burglary. September, 1895, Pickens Superior Court. Former sentenced for eight years, the latter, five years. Recommended by several hundred citizens, by senator from 41st, the representative from Pickens, the judge and solicitor-general. Granted February 3, 1897.

Churchman Jones—Assault to murder. Superior Court of Elbert. Sentence, ten years. Crime not exaggerated one. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, the prosecutor and grand jury. Granted February 4, 1897.

Charles Harris—Assault to Murder. June, 1895, Fulton Superior Court. Sentence, two years. Asked for by solicitor-general and many citizens on ground that he has been sufficiently punished. Granted February 18, 1897.

Albert Strickland—Assault to murder. Spring term, 1894, Fulton Superior Court. Sentence, five years. Shooting seems to have been accidental. Prosecution and

solicitor-general ask for pardon. Granted February 26, 1897.

Owen Tyus—Manslaughter. January, 1894, Cobb Superior Court. Sentence, five years. Already served three years. Killing to certain extent justifiable. The judge, the county officers, the mayor of Marietta and city officers representative from Cobb county and many citizens ask for pardon. Granted April 8, 1897.

Lee Moncrief—Burglary. September, 1895, Coweta Superior Court. Sentence, two years. Evidence not very strong. On appeal chief justice dissented from affirmance of decision of lower court. The judge, the jury, county officers and number of citizens ask for pardon. Granted April 16, 1897

George Blair—Burglary. November, 1895, Muscogee Superior Court. Sentence, three years. Main witness for State now makes affidavit that Blair had nothing to do with crime. Recommended by judge. Granted June 15, 1897

J. E. Clark—Embezzlement. Schley Superior Court. Sentence, three and one-half years. Asked for by grand jury, solicitor-general and many citizens. Sentence will expire in a few days. Granted June 16, 1897.

William Barrett—Assault to murder. Fall term, 1894, Whitfield Superior Court. Sentence, eight years. Assaulted party thinks he was mistaken as to identity of Barrett. Recommended by judge, county officers and prosecutor. Granted June 24, 1897

Bob Dixon—Breaking in a car. January, 1895, Cobb Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Recommended

by judge. Sentence commuted to two years and seven months. June 30, 1897.

John Foster—Murder. Superior Court of Screven County. Sentence, life. Old man, between sixty and seventy years of age. Judge urges that the pardon be granted. Previous to conviction had good reputation. Has served eight years. Granted July 8, 1897.

Jep Brawner—Arson. April, 1893, Elbert Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Evidence circumstantial. Asked for by judge, prosecutor, county officers and eleven members of the jury. Granted July 8, 1897

Henry Dixon—Murder. April, 1897, Dougherty Superior Court. Sentence, life. Deceased of violent character. Threatened to kill Dixon. Had previous trouble with him. Strongly urged by judge. Granted September 2, 1897.

Mack Baker—Perjury. August, 1895, Milton Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Asked for by judge, solicitor-general, grand jury and number of citizens. Granted September 2, 1897

Mike Freeman—Escape. Sentence, two years. Has already served out original sentence. Suffering with dropsy of the bowels. Recommended by assistant keeper. Granted September 3, 1897.

Byron Dearing—Burglary. August, 1895, Superior Court of Meriwether. Sentence, four years. Dearing only sixteen years of age. Served two years. Asked for by judge and solicitor-general. Granted September 14, 1897.

Harve Lackerley—Burglary. Pickens Superior Court. Asked for by judge, solicitor-general and many citizens. Granted September 15, 1897.

Josh Strickland—Burglary. September, 1895, Heard Superior Court. Sentence, three years. Evidence wholly circumstantial. Now appears to have only been accessory after the fact. Asked for by judge, solicitor-general, jury and many citizens. September 18, 1897

O. O. Buice—Simple larceny. February, 1897, DeKalb Superior Court. Sentence, four years. Received serious personal injuries in the penitentiary causing curvature of the spine. Recommended by judge. Granted October 7, 1897.

Pardons granted by the Governor with the recommendation of the Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly, 1894-95.

## FELONIES.

Lindsay and Ed Granger—Convicted of assault to murder. October term, 1894, Rockdale Superior Court. The prosecutor broke into a mill house of defendants and was guilty of menaces toward them. Recommended by the solicitor-general, the grand jury, the trial jury and a large number of citizens. Pardon granted November 2, 1896.

Arthur Phelps—Convicted of burglary, January term, 1894, Baldwin Superior Court. Recommended by solicitor-general, the grand jury and many citizens. Granted November 13, 1896.

Walter Sullivan—Convicted of simple larceny. March

term, 1894, Hart Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Evidence against him insufficient. Asked for by judge, grand jury, trial jury. Granted November 19, 1896.

Will Ligon—Convicted of simple larceny. March term, 1894, Fayette Superior Court. Sentence, six years. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general and prosecutor. Granted November 24, 1896.

R. A. Ramsey—Convicted of murder. April, 1894, Whitfield Superior Court. Sentence, life. Young boy. Asked for by judge, solicitor-general, the grand jury, trial jury, county officials and hundreds of citizens. Granted December 10, 1896.

Sonny Milner—Convicted of murder. Superior Court of Calhoun. Sentence, life. Evidence weak, circumstantial and insufficient. New evidence of an alibi. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, grand jury and trial jury. Granted December 10, 1896.

Freddie Moore—Convicted of manslaughter. April, 1894, Emanuel Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Grave doubt as to guilt and as to credibility of main witness for State. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, prosecuting attorney, father of deceased and prosecutor, commissioners roads and revenues of Emanuel county, two grand juries, county officers. Granted December 12, 1896.

Henry Owens—Convicted of burglary in several cases. Bibb Superior Court, 1884. Sentences aggregating forty-one years. When convicted only fifteen years old. Served thirteen years. Grand jury recommends. Granted December 12, 1896.



Dennis Taylor—Convicted of murder. October term, 1889, Whitfield Superior Court. Sentence, life. Insane at time crime was committed. Since been in insane asylum. Asked for by widow of deceased, large number of relatives, judge and prosecuting attorney. Granted December 15, 1896.

Bud Heyward—Convicted of burglary. Richmond Superior Court. The main witness for State makes affidavit that he swore falsely. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 15, 1896.

Israel Russell—Convicted of assault to rape. Spring term, 1895, Clayton Superior Court. Sentence, ten years. Only fourteen when convicted. Grave doubt as to guilt. Recommended by solicitor-general and citizens. Granted December 15, 1896.

Orange Bryant—Burglary. Superior Court Talbot County. Served five years. Good conduct. December 17, 1896.

Charleston Singleton—Forgery. Houston Superior Court. Sentence, three years. Small amount. Only sixteen years of age. Recommended by prosecutor and number of citizens. Granted December 17, 1896.

Sydney Lascelles—Forgery. Superior Court of Floyd County. Sentence, six years. Has only one year and four months to serve. Good conduct. Larger number of people ask for it than for any other application ever presented. Urged by all camp officials, number of grand jury, eight of trial jury, prosecutor, solicitor-general, Joint Committee of House and Senate, Subcommittee of Penitentiary, Committee of General Assembly of 1894-95; Subcommittees from the Penitentiary Committee of General Assembly.

1896-97, endorsed by State Senate and House of Representatives. Granted December 26, 1896.

Harry Hill—Forgery February term, 1893, Fulton Superior Court. Sentence, five years. Asked for by jury, most of the officers of the court, large number of citizens from various portions of th State, subcommitte of Senate of 1895, subcommittee of House, 1895, by nearly every member of General Assembly, 1894-95, camp officials, several grand juries, ministers of the gospel, several judges of Superior Courts, joint committee of House and Senate principal physician of penitentiary, on account of ill health, solicitor-general, almost entire House and Senate, 1896, subcommittees from penitentiary committee of House and Senate, 1896-97, State Senate and House of Representatives, 1896-97. Granted December 26, 1896.

Tom Farmer—Voluntary manslaughter. February, 1893, Jackson Superior Court. Sentence, twenty years. Insult to himself and wife cause of homicide. Mitigating circumstances. Lost a leg since confinement in penitentiary. Good conduct. Granted April 15, 1897.

W J Bush—Voluntary manslaughter. September, 1894, Washington Superior Court. Sentence, eight years. The man killed had attempted to kill Bush and shot his wife instead, some time before the homicide. Asked for by solicitor-general, jury and many citizens. Granted April 16, 1897

W J. Thomas—Voluntary manslaughter. May 1894, Decatur Superior Court. Sentence, fifteen years. Peculiarly strong provocation for killing. Ordered off his father's place, and force used to carry out order. Asked for by jury and five hundred citizens of county. Granted May 15, 1897

## MISDEMEANORS.

Lewis Mays—Convicted selling liquor without license in three cases. Sentence, twelve months in each case. May term, 1895, Henry County Court. Already served eighteen months. Recommended by judge and many citizens. Granted November 16, 1896.

Shelton Dampier—Convicted for four misdemeanors. December term, 1894, City Court of Lowndes County. Served two years of aggregate sentences. Recommended. Granted November 16, 1896.

Joe Biggs—Convicted illegal sale of whiskey, County Court of Walton County. Had already served twelve months. Over sixty years of age. Recommended by solicitor, number of county officers and many citizens. Pardon granted November 18, 1896.

W W Cain—Convicted of carrying concealed weapons and pointing a pistol at another. October, 1896, Houston Superior Court. Identity very doubtful. Recommended by judge. Granted December 5, 1896.

Ira Manly—Convicted of selling whiskey without license. June, 1896, City Court of Spalding. Sentence, twelve months. Family in very destitute circumstances. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 10, 1896.

Ben R. Ogles—Two cases selling liquor without license. January term, 1896, Cob Superior Court. Both sentences aggregating two years. Seriously sick with fever. Recommended by judge and many citizens. Granted December 16, 1896.

Wyatt McEllroy—Selling liquor without license. June term, 1896, City Court of Spalding. Sentence, twelve months. Only sold half pint. Over seventy years old, ruptured and very feeble. Granted December 18, 1896.

Anna Johnson—Vagrancy. City Court of Savannah. Sentence, twelve months. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Granted December 21, 1896.

Bob Colbert—Larceny from the house. June term, 1896, Criminal Court of Atlanta. Sentence, nine months. Proven innocent. Pardoned December 22, 1896.

Bonaparte Pendley—Selling liquor without license. DeKalb County. Sentence, eight months. Asked for by a number of good citizens. Granted December 29, 1896.

John Malone—Misdemeanor. Walton County. Sentence, twelve months. Critical physical condition. Recommended by solicitor. Granted February 4, 1897.

Godfrey Turner—Assault and battery. December, 1896, City Court of Atlanta. Sentence, six months. At the point of death. Granted February 15, 1897.

James Lott—Carrying concealed weapons. Superior Court of Muscogee. Sentence, twelve months. Precarious state of health. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Granted February 17, 1897.

Elias M. Cox—Selling liquor without license. Cobb County. Already served nearly twelve months. Pardoned February 19, 1897.

Grant Bird—Assault and battery. August, 1896, Catoosa Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. Asked

for by judge, solicitor-general and all county omcers.  
Granted February 23, 1897

John Thomas—Misdemeanor. November, 1896, Cobb Superior Court. Sentence, five months. Physical condition precarious. Asked for by judge. Granted March 1, 1897.

Ed Peck—Larceny from the house. July, 1896, Greene County Court. Sentence, twelve months. Leg broken. Quite young. Asked for by judge, solicitor and prosecutor. Granted March 1, 1897.

Snowden Jones—Using obscene language. January, 1897, Paulding Superior Court. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$150 and to be confined six months in common jail. He paid fine and has served three months of six. Judge, solicitor-general and all county officers ask for pardon. Granted April 13, 1897.

Buster Tucker—Fornication. October, 1896, Houston Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. Terribly treated by the guards of the chaingang. Asked for by solicitor-general. Granted May 11, 1897

Lizzie Boatright—Burglary. March, 1897, McDuffie Superior Court. Recommended to mercy and sentenced to six months. Inhumanely treated at chaingang. Pardoned for this reason May 11, 1897.

Dan Wilkie—Larceny from the house. September, 1896, Fulton Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. Only twelve years of age. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, jury. Good behavior. Granted June 4, 1897.

A. W. Wilson—Selling liquor and furnishing it to mi-

nors. August, 1896, Paulding Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. In terrible state of health. Granted June 8, 1897.

James E. Cox—Burglary. April, 1895, Pickens Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. Pled guilty and turned State's evidence. Requested by judge and solicitor-general. Granted June 8, 1897.

Henry McCants—Obtaining goods under false writings—two cases. November, 1896, Muscogee Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months in each case. Recommended by judge and solicitor-general. Already served twelve months. Commuted to fine of \$75.00 for rest of sentence July 1, 1897.

Charles Murray—Larceny from the house. Criminal Court of Atlanta. Sentence, five months. Intoxicated at time of offense. Amount stolen very small. Recommended by solicitor and prosecutor. Granted July 8, 1897.

Tom Williams—Assault and battery. County Court of Houston. Sentence, six months. Suffering with syphilis. Granted July 8, 1897.

Mary Boyd—Two cases, larceny from the house. March, 1896, City Court of Atlanta. Sentence, twelve months in each case. Suffering with consumption. Recommended by solicitor-general. Granted July 14, 1897.

John Gray—Assault and battery. March, 1897, Criminal Court of Atlanta. Sentence, nine months. Suffering with tuberculosis and Bright's disease. Granted August 7, 1897.

James T. Benton—Pointing a gun at another. April, 1897, Oconee County Court. Sentence, nine months. In jail six months before trial and already served out five months of his sentence. Recommended by judge, solicitor and jury. Granted September 7, 1897.

Hamlet Griffin—Four indictments, selling liquor without license. June, 1896, City Court of Laurens County. Sentence, six months in each case. Aggregate sentence two years. Has served over a year. Asked for by solicitor, county commissioners and county officers. Granted September 18, 1897.

### COMMUTATIONS

John Callaway—Convicted of shooting at another. Superior Court of Fulton County. Not bad case. Previous good character. Recommended by solicitor-general. Sentence commuted to six months, November 2, 1896.

Charlie White—Convicted of simple larceny. November term, 1896, Early Superior Court. Sentence, eight months. Offense not aggravated. Asked for by trial jury and many citizens. Commuted to pay a fine of \$50.00, December 15, 1896.

Warren Brinson—Murder. October term, 1896, Emanuel Superior Court. Sentence, death. Killed a man for illicit intercourse with his wife. New evidence. Recommended by judge, solicitor-general, grand jury and many citizens. Sentence commuted to life December 16, 1896.

Bob Giles, alias Jarrell—Burglary. Clarke Superior Court. Sentence three years. Subject to fits. Mind weak. Recommended by trial jury, county officers. Sentence

commuted to two years and four months, February 11, 1897.

Sam Grant—Murder. May term, 1895, Sumter Superior Court. Sentence, death. Asked for by judge, solicitor-general. Character of man killed very bad. Not known to the jury. Also asked for by hundreds of citizens. Character of main witness for the State bad. Sentence commuted to life imprisonment, February 27, 1897.

W. R. Parsons—Larceny from the house. February, 1897, Macon City Court. Sentence, \$100 or twelve months. Commuted to payment of \$80.00, May 5, 1897.

J. N. Mathews—Fornication and adultery. March, 1897, Crawford Superior Court. Sentence, \$400 fine or twelve months. Lost his office. Recommended by many citizens and judge. Fine reduced to \$250, June 7, 1897.

M. Lowry—Murder. December, 1896, Glynn Superior Court. Sentence, death. The principal evidence dying declaration of man killed. No foundation laid to prove it to be dying declaration. Deceased's reputation for veracity impeached. Evidence entirely circumstantial. Nothing positive. Asked for by jury, solicitor-general, county officers of Glynn, city officers of Brunswick, and by hundreds of citizens. Sentence commuted to life imprisonment July 14, 1897.

Will McRay—Carrying concealed weapons. January, 1897, County Court of Walton. Sentence, twelve months. Asked for by county officers and number of citizens. Sentence commuted to nine months, September 10, 1897.



## RESPITES.

Edmund Parks—Convicted of murder. Superior Court of Columbia County. Sentence death. Newly discovered evidence. Respited to December 11, 1896. Granted November 7, 1896.

Will Deas—Convicted of murder. Jefferson Superior Court. Sentence, death. Respite requested by judge, solicitor-general and number of good citizens. Respited until 29th day of January, 1897.

Gus Fambles—Convicted of murder. Superior Court of Twiggs County. Sentence, death. Respited until 29th day of January, 1897, pending hearing of Mrs. Nobles' case. Granted December 14, 1897.

Tom Delk—Murder. Superior Court of Pike. Sentence, death. Respited December 16, 1896, because he is main witness in defense of his father.

Sam Grant—Murder. Superior Court of Sumter. Sentence, death. New evidence. Respited thirty days, December 31, 1897.

Tom Delk—Murder. Pike Superior Court. Sentence, death. Respited until February 26, 1897. Granted January 27, 1897.

Sam Grant—Murder. Sumter Superior Court. Sentence, death. Respited until 12th day of February, 1897. Granted January 27, 1897.

Will Deas—Murder. Superior Court of Jefferson County. Sentence, death. New evidence. Respited until 26th day of February, 1897. Granted January 27, 1897.

Gus Fambles—Murder. Twiggs Superior Court. Sentence, death. Respited until February 26, 1897. Granted January 27, 1897

Sam Grant—Murder. Sumter Superior Court. Sentence, death. Asked for by immense number of people. Respited until February 19, 1897. Granted February 12, 1897.

Sam Grant—Respited until March 5, 1897 Granted February 18, 1897.

Gus Fambles—Respited until April 2, 1897 Granted February 23, 1897.

Tom Delk—Respited until April 2, 1897 Granted February 23, 1897.

Gus Fambles—Respited until August 27, 1897 Granted April 27, 1897.

Tom Delk—Respited until June 18, 1897 Granted April 29, 1897.

Terrell Hudson. Murder. February, 1897, Dekalb Superior Court. Sentence, death. Material matters to investigate. Respited until June 25, 1897. Granted June 11, 1897

M. Lowry—Murder. Glynn Superior Court. Sentence, death. New evidence. Respited until July 16, 1897. Granted June 17, 1897

H. S. Perry—Murder. Superior Court of Dekalb County. Sentence, death. Time to consider other matters submitted. Respited until September 8, 1897 Granted August 17, 1897.

Gus Fambles—Respited until November 19, 1897.

Grady Reynolds—Murder. Superior Court of Jackson. Sentence, death. Respited until October 22, 1897, so he could be used as a witness in the trial of Bud Brooks, in case the Supreme Court granted a new trial. Granted September 24, 1897.

Grady Reynolds—Respited until December 3, 1897, for the same reason as formerly. Granted October 13, 1897.

### CITIZENSHIP RESTORED.

J. L. Hammond—Convicted of forgery, Superior Court of Jackson County, 1884. Served out his term. Requested by county officers. Citizenship restored November 16, 1896.

S. T. Mize—Convicted of larceny from the house. Served out sentence. Since that time, as attested by county officers, has been good citizen. Citizenship restored November 24, 1896.

John Meeks—Convicted of simple larceny. June term, 1883, Macon Superior Court. Sentence, five months. Suffered penalty. Good citizen since. Citizenship restored December 3, 1896.

Thomas Golden—Convicted of larceny from the house. June, 1888, Chatham County. Served out sentence and has been a good citizen since. Granted December 12, 1896.

Jack Fletcher—Simple larceny. April term, 1893, Telfair Superior Court. Sentenced to pay a fine. Fine paid. Has been upright since. Granted December 15, 1896.

Abe Brown—Larceny from the house. April, 1896, Thomas County Court. The fine was paid. Since that time been good citizen. Recommended by county officers. Granted February 3, 1897.

Peter Burge—Larceny from house. July, 1878, Bartow Superior Court. Sentence, twelve months. Served out sentence. Honest and upright since. Asked for by county officers. Granted February 9, 1897

Lewis Lynch—Larceny. Lowndes City Court. Fine was paid. Good citizen since. Asked for by county officers. Granted March 27, 1897.

Herbert Gilbert—Larceny from the house. Dade Superior Court. Paid fine. Good citizen since. Asked for by county officers. Granted March 27, 1897

Dennis Bennett—Larceny from the house. County Court of Terrell. Discharged his sentence. Good citizen since. Asked for by solicitor and citizens. Granted April 2, 1897.

D. W Price—Withholding public funds. Douglas Superior Court, 1885. Grand jury recommended that the matter be settled and it was settled as suggested. Disabilities removed September 1, 1897.

Guilford Guilford—Simple larceny. May, 1881, Upson Superior Court. Fine was paid. Asked for by county officers. Granted September 11, 1897.

Jack Goldsmith—Accessory after the fact of murder. April, 1890, Dekalb Superior Court. Sentence, five years. Served out sentence. Asked for by county officers. Disabilities removed October 6, 1897.

Joe Johnson—Burglary. Floyd Superior Court, 1885. Sentence, one year. Asked for by county officers. Granted October 14, 1897.

### RECAPITULATION.

Pardons granted.	96
Felonies (without recommendation joint committee)	47
Felonies (with recommendation joint committee.	19
Misdemeanors.	30
Commutation of Sentences..	8
Respites.	20
Disabilities removed.	14
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Total granted..	138

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution, to wit:

A resolution making the Finance Committee of the House and Senate a joint standing Finance Committee of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Battle, three hundred copies of the Governor's annual message were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The Senate, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Thursday, October 28, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Allen,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Strother,
Blalock,	Gray,	Thomas,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Stevens,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Hopkins,	Shropshire,
Culver,	Hudson,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Sheffield,	Wooten.

Mr. Van Buren, from the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and approved by the Senate.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Culver on account of sickness.

The following bills of the Senate, adversely reported, were taken up, read the second time, and lost by agreement with the adverse reports, to wit:

A bill to regulate and authorize city municipalities to grant the use of streets to corporations.

A bill to require claimants of real estate levied on under execution or seized under other legal process, to file with the claim affidavit and damage bond an abstract of the title, etc.

The following bill of the Senate was withdrawn, to wit:

A bill to amend section 2681 of the Code.

The following bills of the Senate were read the second time and passed to a third reading, to wit:

A bill to amend and alter the acts of 1889, page 58, section 2, trustees and officers State Lunatic Asylum.

And a bill to prevent hunting with dogs, firearms, etc., in counties where stock-law exists, when the same is forbidden.

The Senate took a recess until 11 o'clock, and at this hour was called to order by the President.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as respectively indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Appling county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Redwine—

A bill to abolish the city court of Jackson, and a bill to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to provide for the revival of corporations, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

On motion, the bill of the Senate to permit defendants in suit for realty to sell off claims for improvements, etc., was recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the House to regulate the benefits of all debenture benefit companies, etc., was recommitted to the Committee on Banks.

The bill of the Senate to establish a Board of Dental Examiners, etc., was taken from the table and made the special order for Thursday next.

The bill of the Senate to punish the crime of hog and cattle stealing was taken up on its third reading under favorable report committee of the whole.



The report was agreed to, and the bill being put to a vote of the Senate, was lost for want of a constitutional majority, there being ayes 15, nays 14.

Mr. Gray gave notice of a motion to reconsider.

The following bills were taken up for a third reading and laid on the table, to wit:

A bill to amend the Constitution as to the election of Judges of the Superior Courts and Solicitors-General.

A bill to enlarge the powers of the Railroad Commission.

And a bill to authorize the State School Commissioner to grant permanent license to graduates of the Normal Industrial School at Milledgeville.

The following bills of the Senate were taken from the table and withdrawn, to wit:

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Burke county.

And a bill to quiet title of persons in possession claiming title by prescription to ungranted lands.

The Senate adjourned, on motion, until 11 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, October 29th, 1897, 11 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names:

Battle,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Gray,	Turner,
Carter,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Hopkins,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Hudson,	Strother,
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Mr. Van Buren, Chairman of the Committee on Journals, reported the Journal correct. It was then read and approved by the Senate.

Messrs. Wooten, Atkinson, and Walker of the Eighteenth district, were granted leave of absence. Also Mr. Brinson.

By resolution of Mr. Dunwody, the Hon. A. O. Bacon and Hon. G. N. Griggs were invited to seats in the Senate.

The bill of the Senate to change the punishment for the crime of hog and cattle stealing was, on motion of Mr. Gray, reconsidered.

The bill of the Senate to authorize the State School Commissioner to grant permanent license to graduates of the Normal and Industrial College at Milledgeville was withdrawn.

The Senate took up the report of the committee of the whole on the reconsidered bill of the Senate to define and punish the crime of stealing hogs, cattle, and other domestic animals.

The same was amended by striking out all after the word "section" in the last line of section 1, and inserting instead thereof "1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895."

The report was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time and passed as amended by constitutional majority, there being ayes 31, nays 0.

The following bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred as indicated, to wit:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to provide for the filing, hearing, and determining of contests in elections held for the removal of county sites in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to give misdemeanor convicts the right to make contracts for labor.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a city court for Douglas, in Coffee county

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to amend an act, to amend section 4446 of the Code of 1895, approved December 11th, 1894.

Also, a bill to provide for notice to the garnishee in any of the courts of this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 1110 of the Penal Code of 1895, to provide for compensation for Justices of the Peace.

Also, a bill to amend section 1066 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers in this State.

Also, a bill to provide for the manner of proving the fact of confinement in the penitentiary or chaingangs upon the trial of convicts for escape.

Also, a bill to prevent the hunting of opossums in this State between the first day of March and the first day of October.

By Mr. Everett—

A resolution inviting Mrs. Marie Louise Myrick to a seat in the Senate during her stay in the city was agreed to.

Mr Stewart, of the Twenty-Seventh district, offered a resolution to appoint a joint committee to visit and report in regard to the State Normal School at Athens.

The same was taken up and lost.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1110 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for notice to the garnishee when in any of the courts of this State his answers have been traversed.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend an act to amend section 4446 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers in this State.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to amend section 1066 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to provide for and prescribe the manner of proving the fact of confinement in the penitentiary and chain-gangs of this State upon the trial of convicts for escape.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to regulate the hunting of opossums between certain dates.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

And a bill to make Stafford's office calendar legal evidence, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock a. m. on Monday next.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Monday, November 1st, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Hon. William Clifton, Secretary of the Senate, in the absence of the President and President pro tem.

The Secretary read rule No. 7 of the Senate, which requires him, in the absence of the President and President pro tem. to cause an election by the Senate of an officer to preside until one of the absent officers shall return.

Having read the rule referred to, he declared that nominations for a presiding officer were in order, whereupon the Hon. Charlton E. Battle was nominated and unanimously elected President pro tem., who was conducted to the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names, to wit:

Allen,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Strother,
Blalock,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
*Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Stevens,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brinson,  
Cook,

Gray,  
McFarland,

Starr,  
Walker of the 40th.

The Journal was read and approved.

Mr. Stewart, of the Twenty-Seventh district, moved to reconsider a resolution lost on Friday last, which provides for the appointment of a joint committee to visit the State Normal School at Athens.

The motion to reconsider prevailed, and the resolution was laid on the table.

By resolution of Mr. Mann, the privileges of the floor were extended to Misses Daisy, Rosa, Lena, and Mattie Lee, from Screven county, and Miss Susan Slater, of Bulloch county. Also, to Mr. J. H. J. McGee, of Tatnall.

On motion of Mr. Comas, the bill of the Senate to prescribe the methods of determining contest in elections for removal of county sites, was withdrawn from the General Judiciary Committee, read the second time, and recommitted to said committee.

On motion of Mr. Dunwody, the bill of the Senate to quiet titles to land in Camden county was withdrawn from the General Judiciary Committee, read the second time, and recommitted to said committee.

Mr. Wooten, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:



*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under consideration the following bill, which they direct me to report back as properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to define and punish the crime of stealing hogs, cattle, sheep, and other domestic animals of less value than twenty (\$20.00) dollars, and provide penalties therefor.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. WOOTEN, Chairman pro tem.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4118 of the Code of 1895, relative to the time of filing suits in Justice Courts.

Also, a bill to fix the fees of constables for executing possessory warrants and bail trover cases.

Also, a bill to provide a seal for County Boards of Education, and requiring all County School Commissioners to place same on all teachers' license.

Also, a bill to authorize the payment of pensions to Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers when

the same are now residents of the State; provided that the service as such soldier was rendered as a member of a Georgia regiment, and the applicant is otherwise entitled under the various pension laws.

Also, a bill to amend section 981 of the Code of 1895, volume 3, for taking testimony in criminal cases, to provide for filing records.

The following Senate bills referred to the General Judiciary Committee, were, on motion, withdrew from said committee, read the second time, and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to amend, change and repeal section 4 of the charter of the town of Unadilla, Dooly county.

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla.

And a bill of similar title.

Mr. Allen, by permission, introduced a bill to prohibit the playing of football in this State, which was read the first time and referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

The following bills of the House, adversely reported, were taken up and lost by agreement with such reports.

A bill requiring judges of city and county courts to write out and read their charges to juries.

A bill to amend the registration laws.

A bill to set aside half of each Saturday as a legal holiday.

A bill to amend section 3462 of the Revised Code of 1882.

A bill to pay the County School Commissioners of this State a fixed salary.

And a bill to provide for the election of clerks by the Board of County Commissioners, etc.

The following bills of the House were read the first time and referred as indicated, to wit:

A bill to fix the fees of constables for executing possessory warrants and bail trover.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend section 4118 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to create a seal for County Boards of Education, etc.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend section 981 of the Penal Code, etc.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to grant pensions to certain Confederate soldiers and widows, etc.

Referred to Committee on Pensions.

The bill of the Senate to prevent the hunting with dogs and firearms on certain lands where the stock-law is in force was read the second time, and recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.

The bill of the Senate to prescribe the time and place of

filing of official bonds of county officers, which was adversely reported, was taken up and laid on the table.

Leave of absence was granted to President Berner and to Messrs. Stewart of the Thirty-Fourth, Golightly and Flewellen.

The Senate having disposed of all business on the desk of the Secretary, adjourned, on motion, until 10 o'clock a. m. to-morrow.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, November 2d, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Senator Gray, President pro tem.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

On the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names, to wit:

Allen,	Flynt,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Goldin,	Strother,
Blalock,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Carter,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Mann,	Witcher,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Everett,	McFarland,	Stewart of the 34th.
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Golightly,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

The Journal was read and approved.

Upon motion of Senator Gray he was excused from the chair and Senator Battle was appointed.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. G. A. Nunnally during his stay in the city.

Senator Gray asked for leave of absence for a few days on important business. Leave was granted.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the following bill was put upon its passage:

A bill by Mr. Brinson to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of land under claim of title to set off the value of permanent improvements, and to recover value of same, and for other purposes.

The following amendment was adopted:

Amend by adding after the word *decke*, in the sixteenth line of section 1 as follows: "In all cases in which such set-off of improvements are sought in excess of mesne profits the jury shall have the right to fix the time from which mesne profits shall be allowed.

Upon motion of Mr. Brinson, the bill was placed upon the table until some future day.

The following House bills were taken up and read first time, to wit:

A bill by Mr. Turner of Henry, to require all accusations in the county courts to be signed by the county solicitors, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Cameron, to prohibit the trespassing on public roads, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Freeman to provide for ordinary *pro hoc vice* in case disqualified ordinaries, and for other purposes.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Felder to prohibit the excavating, tearing up, destroying, and injuring macadamized roads in this State.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Hamby to pay jurors from the county treasury in actions in which the county is interested.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Felder to more speedily determine *habeas corpus* cases.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

By unanimous consent, the following privileged resolution was adopted, by Mr. Geiger:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. T. D. Rockwell and William Alpuson, of Washington, and Hon. Josiah Fletcher, of British Columbia, during their stay in the city.

The following House resolution was read and adopted, thanking the W & A. R. R., the Pullman Sleeping Car Company, and the Exposition Company, and Maj. McCann for courtesies shown them during their stay at the exposition.

By unanimous consent, the following bills were introduced and read the first time:

A bill by Mr. Carter to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to require all accusations in county courts to be signed by the solicitor or prosecuting attorney.

Also, a bill to prohibit the excavating or tearing up macadamized or other roads in this State without authority from proper county officers.

Also, a bill to provide for ordinary *pro hac vice*.

Also, a bill to prohibit trespassing on public roads in this State.

Also, a bill to more speedily determine *habeas corpus* cases.

Also, a bill to pay jurors in actions in which the county is interested.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution thanking the Western and Atlantic Railroad authorities and officers of the Nashville Centennial for courtesies extended the General Assembly while in Nashville October 30th, 1897

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of lands under claims of title to set off the value of permanent improvements and to record value of same.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.



Also, a bill by Mr. Battle to regulate the granting of extraordinary reliefs in the courts of this State.

Referred to the General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill regulating the administration of equitable relief in cases where such relief may be sought as against a corporation at the instance of shareholders or members thereof, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 2388 of the Civil Code of 1895, and for other purposes.

Upon motion of Senator Battle, the Senate took a recess for twenty minutes.

The Senate was called to order by Senator Gray, in the chair.

Upon motion of Senator Battle, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, November 3d, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, with Mr. Berner in the chair.

On the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Battle,	Golightly,	Starr,
Brinson,	Gray,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Comas,	Kenn,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Minn,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Geiger,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Stewart of the 27th,	Westmoreland,
Blalock,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wilcox.
Everett,		

The Journal was read and approved.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the Committee on General Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills of the Senate, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to change and repeal section 4 of the charter of the town of Unadilla, in Dooly county, Ga., and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 2388 of the Civil Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to make Stafford's office calendar legal evidence covering all dates between the years 1490 and 2000.

Also, a bill to prevent the hunting and catching of opossums between the first day of March and the first day of October of each year, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 4118 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the filing, hearing and determining of contests in elections held for the removal of county sites in this State, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report

back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the House with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to require ordinaries to name election managers and clerks at the different voting precincts of this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prevent the hunting with dogs, firearms and other implements in or through the lands where the stock-law is of force in this State.

Also, a bill to provide for the reorganization of the Board of Trustees of the University of Georgia, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to give misdemeanor convicts the right to make contracts of labor, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to provide for notice to the garnishee when in any of the courts of this State when his answer has been traversed.

Also, a bill to amend section 1110 of the Penal Code of 1895, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prescribe the manner of proving the fact of confinement in the penitentiary and chaingangs of this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 981 of the Code of 1895, volume 3, so as to provide for taking down testimony in any criminal case.

Also, a bill to fix the fees of constables for executing possessory warrants and bail trover cases, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to quiet the title of lands in Camden county, and provide for the granting of the same,

and prescribe the mode of procedure by which the same may be granted, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

By direction of Mr. President, the following letter was read:

Woodbury, Georgia, November 1st, 1897

*To the President of the Senate, Atlanta, Ga.:*

Mr. President:—I have the honor of being requested by the members of the LaGrange District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in session July 3d, 1897, at Hogansville, Ga., to send resolution on the temperance question passed unanimously by that body.

Resolved, That to an alarming extent we believe that the church is responsible for the open barrooms in our district and State. This we consider a shame and disgrace on our Christian civilization. We heartily endorse the anti-bar-

room bill now pending before the Legislature, and we hereby earnestly urge that body to have the same enacted into law. This we trust you will have read in the Senate.

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR S. HARRIS,

Secretary LaGrange District.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill prohibiting arresting officers advising or procuring dismissals or settlement of criminal cases.

Also, a bill to make the county court of Hancock county a court of record, and making the clerk of the Superior Court clerk of the county court.

A bill to revise and consolidate the laws governing the inspection and sale of fertilizers in this State.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolutions, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution that Dr. Warren A. Candler be requested to address the General Assembly on the subject of education on Tuesday night, November 9th.

Also, a resolution appropriating eight hundred dollars for the republication of the 84th, 85th, 86th, and 87th Georgia Reports.

Also, a resolution to refund to G. W. Chamblee one hundred dollars overpaid taxes for 1894.

Also, a resolution providing for the election of United States Senators by the people.

The special order was taken up, which was a bill by Mr. Turner to prohibit the manufacture and sale of spirits in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick the following amendments were offered to the bill under discussion: Amend the caption by striking from the same the words "for beverage purposes, and to provide for its manufacture and sale for other purposes." The amendment was agreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate went into executive session at 12:30 o'clock.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the following bill was read the first time, to wit:

A bill to repeal section 1010 of the Code of the State, approved December 15th, 1895.



Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to amend section 974 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Comas, the following bill was taken up and put upon its passage, to wit:

A bill to provide for the filing, hearing and determining of contests in elections held for removal of county sites, and for other purposes.

Report of committee agreed to, and bill passed; ayes 32, nays 0.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stewart of the Twenty-Seventh, for to-day, on important business.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Thursday, November 4th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following Senators answered to their names, to wit:

Allen,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Starr,	

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1039 of the Code of 1895, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to more speedily determine *habeas corpus* cases, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to pay jurors from county treasury in actions in which the county is interested, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to prohibit the excavating, tearing up, destroying or injuring paved, macadamized or other public roads in this State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2 of article 7 of the Constitution.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4446 of the Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report

back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same be read second time and recommitted to this committee, to wit:

A bill regulating the administration of equitable relief in cases where such relief may be sought, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to regulate the grant of extraordinary equitable relief in courts of this State.

Also, a bill to repeal section 1010 of the Code of this State, approved December 15th, 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 974 of the new Code, approved December 15th, 1895.

Also, a bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

The Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to prohibit trespassing on public roads in this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engraving, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and find properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the filing, hearing and determining of contests in elections held for the removal of county sites in this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they direct me to report back with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and referred back to said committee:

Senate bill No. 78, by Mr. Comas of Third, to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Appling county.

Also, the following Senate bill, which they direct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

Senate bill No. 82, by Mr. Starr of the Forty-Third, to

incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county, and to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors therein.

Respectfully submitted.

J F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Educational Committee has had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill creating a seal for County Boards of Education, and requiring the County School Commissioners to place the same on teachers' licenses.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, which was a bill by Mr. Turner to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the following amendment was offered: By striking from third and fourth lines the words "except in the manner hereinafter provided," and all of said section following the words "packages" in the sixth line.

Upon the adoption of this amendment Mr. Battle called

for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Kemp,	Turner,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Stewart of the 34th,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Thomson,	Wooten.
Gray,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Dunwody,	Redwine,
Battle,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Carter,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Cook,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th.

Not voting—

Mr. President.

Ayes 19. Nays 24.

The amendment not having received the constitutional majority, was lost.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the Journal of yesterday was corrected as to adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Kilpatrick, which was declined nugatory.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the following amendment was offered:

By striking out sections 2, 3, and 4 of the bill.

Upon this amendment Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Starr,
Battle,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Turner,
Comas,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Strother,	Witcher.
Hopkins,		

Not voting—

Mr. President.

Ayes 33. Nays 10.

The amendment, having received a constitutional majority, was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the third amendment was agreed to, which is to amend by striking from the third line of section 6 the words "second offense" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "subsequent violation."

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, amendment 4 was read



and adopted, which is to amend by striking section Nos. 5, 6, 7, and 8, and inserting for same 2, 3, 4, and 5.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the following amendment, which is to amend the caption by striking from the same the words "for beverage purposes" and to provide for its manufacture and sale for other purposes.

Upon the amendment, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. Upon the call the following was the vote.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Thomson,
Atkinson,	Kemp,	Turner,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Stewart of the 34th,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Strother,	Wooten.
Flynt,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Shropshire,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Stevens,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 27th,
Cook,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th.
Dunwody,	Redwine,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Goldin,	Mr. President.
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Ayes 22. Nays 20.

The amendment, having received a constitutional majority, was adopted.

Mr. Battle moved to indefinitely postpone the bill under consideration.

Motion was withdrawn.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the bill under discussion was carried over until to-morrow as unfinished business.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the following House resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That Dr. Warren A. Candler be requested to address the General Assembly on the subject of education on Tuesday evening, November 9th.

Upon motion of Mr. Redwine, the following bills were read second time and recommitted to General Judiciary Committee:

A bill to abolish the city court of Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county.

Upon motion of Mr. Blalock, the following bill was read first time, to wit:

A bill to authorize municipal corporations to regulate Street Railway Companies.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Upon motion of Mr. Wilcox, the following bill was read first time, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Coffee county.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, November 5th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Castleberry,                      Geiger.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Upon unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted Senator Geiger for a few days, on account of illness of his daughter.

Leave of absence was also granted Senator Kilpatrick until Monday at 12 o'clock.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up which is a bill by Mr. Turner to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State.

The question was upon agreeing to the report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill.

Mr. Turner moved that further consideration of the pending bill be postponed until next Tuesday, which motion was lost.

Mr. Battle called the previous question which call was sustained.

Upon motion of Mr. Atkinson, the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Turner,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.
Goldin,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Castleberry,	Geiger,	Mr. President.
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Ayes 18. Nays 23.

The report of the committee not having received a majority was disagreed to.

Mr. Turner moved to postpone voting on the bill until next Tuesday. The motion was lost.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays which call was as follows

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Turner,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren.

Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.
Goldin,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Castleberry,	Geiger,	Mr. President.
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Ayes 18. Nays 23.

The bill not having received the constitutional majority was lost.

The next special order was a bill by Mr. Gray to prohibit the sale and manufacture of spirits in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray this bill was made special order for Tuesday, Nov. 16th, immediately after the reading of the Journal.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner the following resolution was read and adopted.

A resolution, inviting Dr. G. A. Nunnally president of the Southern Female College of LaGrange to address the General Assembly on Tuesday, Nov 9th, upon the subject of education.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to provide for the procurement of a complete roster by companies of all the troops furnished by the State during the late civil war.

Also, a bill to amend section 1047 of the penal Code providing for the trial of convicts under sentence and who have become insane subsequent to conviction, so as to make the question of insanity triable by Superior Court.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution inviting Dr. G. A. Nunnally, President of the Southern Female College at LaGrange, to address the General Assembly on Tuesday evening, November 9th.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Speaker of the House to appoint a doorkeeper for the north side for the remainder of the session.

Also, a resolution Directing the State Librarian to deliver to Miss C. C. Stiles in charge of the Georgia room of Confederate Museum in Richmond, the last order of the Confederate Government.

Also, a resolution appointing a committee of two from the House and one from the Senate to ascertain the status of the Supreme Court of Georgia prior to volume sixty-six (66).

The committee on part of the House are Messrs. Fogarty, of Richmond, and Boifeuillet, of Bibb.

Upon unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Turner of 37th—

A bill to make the wearing or displaying about the person of badges adopted by order or organization as insignia a misdemeanor.

Also, a bill to prohibit the shooting of turkeys or chickens or buying the privilege of doing the same, and for other purposes.

Upon unanimous consent, the following bill was called up to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Brinson of 17th—

A bill to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of lands under claim of title to set off the value of permanent improvements and to recover the value of same in excess of mesne profits, and for other purposes.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Castleberry for a few days on important business.

Leave of absence was also granted Mr. Kemp for Saturday and Monday.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Dunwody moved as a substitute that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock.



Mr. Culver moved as substitute to Mr. Dunwody's motion that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 12 o'clock; the longest time being voted upon first, and receiving a majority, was carried.

The Senate stands adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Monday, November 8th, 12 O'clock M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Wooten, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of Friday was read and approved.

Mr. Turner moved to reconsider the following bill which was lost Friday for the purpose of withdrawing it.

A bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors in this State.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Starr,	Witcher,
Everett,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Strother,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Dunwody,	Mann,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Redwine,
Carter,	Golightly,	Sheffield,
Comas,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Thomson,
Atkinson,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Geiger,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 14. Nays 12.

The motion having received a majority was carried.

Upon unanimous consent, the following bill was withdrawn:

A bill by Mr. Turner, to prohibit the sale of intoxicating spirits in this State.

The unfinished business of yesterday was taken up, which is a bill by Mr. Brinson to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of land under claim of title to set off value permanent improvements, and for other purposes.

Upon unanimous consent the bill was tabled.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to provide for the lien of judgments.

Also, a bill to provide for the confirming and validating all bonds which may hereafter be issued for counties, municipalities or divisions.

Also, a bill to authorize the Judges of the Superior, County and City Courts of this State to issue attachments without requiring bond.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to amend the charter of Hawkinsville.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Hawkinsville.

Also, a bill to authorize corporations or individuals engaged in construction of operating plants for generating electricity, for furnishing lights to towns and cities.

Also, a bill to amend section 420 of the Criminal Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors except domestic wine in the county of Harris.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions, in which the concurrence is asked, to wit:

A resolution to appoint a committee to visit the State Normal School at Athens.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs, Thomas of Clarke, Chairman; Hogan, Kendrick, Cook of Decatur, Boynton of Calhoun, Felder, Atkinson, Morgan, Bowden, West, Berry, Copeland and Davison.

Also, a resolution inviting Hon. J. L. M. Curry to address the General Assembly on November 16th.

Also, a resolution inviting Chancellor Boggs of the State University to address the General Assembly.

The following bills were read the first time, to wit:

By Mr. Man, a bill to abolish the charter of the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county, and to establish a new charter, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Golightly to amend sub-section five of section 3355 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Mann to authorize and require the county authorities of the various counties of this State to appoint a detective or suitable person whose duty it shall be to detect and obtain evidence sufficient to convict.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Golightly to regulate the publication

of verdicts of juries rendered in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Wooten, to provide a new system of the registration of voters in this State.

Referred to Finance Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Wooten, to provide for the making of tax returns for all improved real estate and for making all money invested in life insurance liable for taxation.

Referred to Finance Committee.

Under regular order the following House bills were read the first time, to wit:

By Mr. Felder of Fulton—

A bill to provide for the lien of judgments, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Slaton, of Fulton, to amend section 1047 of the penal Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Reid, of Bibb, to provide for the confirming and validating of all bonds which may hereafter be issued for counties, municipalities, or divisions under paragraphs 1 and 2, section 7, article 7 of the Constitution of 1877

Referred to Finance Committee.

Also, a bill by Messrs. Brown and Jordan to repeal an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Hawkinsville, approved December 20, 1892.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Golightly moved that the time of adjournment be extended until the regular order of business was finished. The motion was carried.

The following House bills were also read first time:

A bill by Mr. Maddox to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors in the county of Harris.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

Also a bill by Mr. Burwell to amend an act approved March 2d, 1875, entitled an act to make the County Court of Hancock county a Court of Record, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

Also, a bill by Mr. Reid to authorize the Judges of the Superior Courts and City Courts of this State to issue attachments without requiring bond and security, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Felder to amend section 420 of the Criminal Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Also, a bill by Mr. Berry to revise and consolidate the laws governing the inspection and sale of fertilizers in this State.

Referred to Agricultural Committee.

Also, a bill by Mr. Hawes to prohibit arresting officers advising or procuring dismissal or settlement of criminal cases and to provide a penalty of the same.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill, by Messrs. Brown and Jordan, to amend the charter of the town of Hawkinsville in the county of Pulaski.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Also, a bill by Mr. Johnson to authorize corporations or individuals actually engaged in constructing or owning or operating or preparing to construct any plant or works for generating electricity by water-power certain powers, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures.

Also, a bill by Mr. Pearce to provide for the procurement of a complete roster by companies of all the troops furnished by the State of Georgia during the late civil war.

Referred to Committee on Military.

Under regular order the following Senate bills were read the second time:

A bill by Mr. Turner, to amend paragraph 2 of section 2 of article 7 of the Constitution.

Also, a bill by Mr. Turner, to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill by Mr. Battle to repeal section 1010 of the Code of this State.

Also, a bill by Mr. Comas to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Appling county.

Also, a bill by Mr. Starr to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in the county of Gordon.

The following House resolutions were read and concurred in, to wit:

A resolution by Mr. Thomas, of Clarke, in viting Chancellor Boggs of the University to address the General Assembly on November 11th.

Also, a resolution by Mr. Fogarty—

Resolved, that a committee of two from the House and one from the Senate be appointed to ascertain the status of the Supreme Court Reports.

The following resolution was read and adopted: Resolved, that the privileges of the floor be extended to Mr. G. W. M. Tatum during his stay in the city



Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Gray, Atkinson, Wilcox and Thompson.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, November 9th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Carter moved that the following resolution be reconsidered:

Resolved, That the Chancellor of the University be invited to address the General Assembly upon the subject of education.

The resolution was reconsidered.

Mr. Carter moved to amend the resolution so that the time of address be 7:30 o'clock instead of 11:30 o'clock, which amendment was adopted.

Upon unanimous consent, the following House resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the State Librarian be instructed to de-

liver to Miss C. C. Stiles, in charge of the Georgia room of Confederate Museum in Richmond, the last order of the Confederate government.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Mr. Geo. W. Parish, of Savannah, during his stay in the city.

Mr. Turner moved to suspend the rules of the Senate for the purpose of taking up the following bill, to be put upon its passage, which motion was carried:

A bill to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

The report of the committee was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following bills, to wit:

A bill to repeal an act creating a Board of Fire Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a Board of Water Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a Board of Tax-Assessors for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to prohibit the playing of prize or match games of football in this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 3704 of the Code of Georgia, to regulate protest fees of notaries public.

Also, a bill to amend section 1703 of the Code of 1882, regulating the returns of marriage license.

Also, a bill to amend section 4641 of the Code of 1895, providing for affidavits in lieu of bond to obtain *certiorari*.

Also, a bill to amend section 3623 of the Code of 1882, providing for affidavits *forma pauperis*.

Also, a bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Douglasville.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Douglas, in Coffee county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Mountville, in Troup county.

Also, a bill to authorize the Treasurer of the State to draw on any funds in the treasury to an amount of \$400,000, to be used in paying the teachers, as provided by law.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in Butts county.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Jackson county.

Also, a bill to prohibit the wearing of badges or device adopted as an insignia of membership by any order or organization in this State.

Also, a bill to amend sub-section five of section 3355 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1047 of the Code of Georgia.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A bill to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county.

The committee have also had under consideration the

following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to provide for ordinaries *pro hoc vice* in case disqualified ordinary, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to amend and alter the acts of 1889, page 58, section 2, trustees and officers of the State Lunatic Asylum.

Also, a bill to prohibit the buying of the privilege to shoot at or killing or otherwise maltreating any turkey, chicken, or other domestic fowl or animal, in sport or any way or manner for money or other thing of value, and to provide a penalty for same.

Also, a bill to regulate the publication of verdicts of juries rendered in the courts of this State.

Also, a bill to authorize and require county authorities of the various counties of this State to appoint detectives in certain cases, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Upon unanimous consent, the following House resolution was read:

Resolution providing a recommendation by this Assembly that United States Senators be elected by the people.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

The following House resolution was read and adopted:

A resolution to appoint a doorkeeper for the north side of the hall during the remainder of the session.

The following House resolution was read, to wit:

A resolution to refund to G. W. Chamblee one hundred dollars overpaid by him as special tax in the year 1894.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Also, a resolution appropriating eight hundred dollars for the republication of two hundred each of the Georgia Reports, volumes 84, 85, 86, and 87

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

The following House resolution was read:

A resolution appointing a committee to visit the Georgia Normal School at Athens. From Senate are Messrs. Stewart of 27th, Dunwody, Sheffield, Blalock, and Carter.

Mr. Golightly moved to lay resolution on table, which motion was lost.

Resolution was adopted.

Upon unanimous consent, the following bill was read first time:

By Mr. Stewart of 34th—

Regulating the deposits of securities by Building and Loan Associations.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

The following House joint resolution was read and concurred in:

A resolution inviting Hon. J. L. M. Curry to address the General Assembly on the 16th.

The following House bills were read the first time, to wit:

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to create a Board of Water Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Meldrim—

Also, a bill to create a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Meldrim—

Also, a bill to create a Board of Tax-Assessors for the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Cole—

A bill to prohibit the playing of prize games of football in this State.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to amend section 3704 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1703 of the Code of 1882.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to create and organize a Board of Fire Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Whitaker—

A bill to amend section 3623 of the Code of 1882.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Whitaker—

Also, a bill to amend section 4641 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Ogletree—

A bill to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in Butts county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.



By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Douglas, in the county of Coffee.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to authorize the Treasurer to draw on any funds in State Treasury to the amount of \$400,000.00 to pay teachers, as provided by law.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Douglasville, Ga.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to incorporate the town of Mountville, in the county of Troup.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

The following Senate bills were read second time and recommitted to General Judiciary Committee:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill regulating the administration of equitable relief cases, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Battle—

Also, a bill to regulate the grant of extraordinary equitable relief in the courts of this State.

By Mr. Battle—

Also, a bill to amend section 974 of the new Code.

Under the regular order, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend section 1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 2388 of the Civil Code of 1895.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to amend sub-section 3355 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to prohibit the wearing or displaying badges used by secret organizations, and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time and recommitted to General Judiciary Committee:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

By request, House bills Nos. 49 and 163 were recommit-  
ted to General Judiciary Committee without being read.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was  
read first time, to wit:

By Mr. McFarland—

A bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes or cigarette papers  
in this State.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

The following privilege resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to  
Mr. F. G. McFarland, of McIntosh county, during his  
stay in the city.

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended  
to Hon. T. R. Jones, of Whitfield, during his stay in the  
city.

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Gray and  
Walker of the 40th, for a few days, on important business.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate adjourned until  
to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, November 10th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Senator Turner.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Golightly.	Stevens,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Carter,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Comas,	Kemp,	Turner,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Geiger,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Castleberry,	Walker of the 18th.
Battle,		

The Journal of yesterday was read and confirmed.

Mr. Redwine moved to suspend the rules of the Senate for the purpose of taking up the following bills to be put upon the passage, which motion was carried:

A bill to abolish the City Court of Jackson County.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received a constitutional majority was passed.

Also, a bill to establish a City Court of Jefferson, in Jackson county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The bill having received a constitutional majority was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

To amend section eleven by adding at the end thereof the following: Provided, that if this act goes into effect and becomes a law by the first day of December, 1897, that in that event the first term of said City Court of Jefferson, shall be held on the first Monday in December, 1897, and that after the adjournment of said term, said City Court of Jefferson shall be held quarterly, beginning on the first Mondays of January, April, July and October of every year, as aforesaid; provided further, that all parties witnesses and jurors required and summoned to appear at the December term, 1897, of the City Court of Jackson county shall appear and be competent to serve and act at the first term of said City Court of Jefferson, established under this act.

Second amendment:

Amend section first by inserting after the word "Jefferson" in the third line thereof the following, "located in the city of Jefferson."

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined and found properly enrolled and ready for the Governor the following bill, to wit:

A bill to provide for the filing, hearing and determining of contests of elections held for the removing of County sites in this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

E. L. BRINSON, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following Senate bill by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to provide for filing, hearing and determining of contests in elections held for the removal of county sites in this State.

The House has adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution, providing for the appointment of a Commission to investigate and report the best system for the regulation of the banking business in this State.

The following communication was received from his

Excellency the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit.

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing, with accompanying documents.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and direct me to report as duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House of Representatives, the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Upon unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was put upon its passage:     '

A bill to quiet the title of lands in Camden county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, the nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite majority was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows: Amend the bill by inserting the following as section five of said bill:

Section 5. Be it further enacted, that should it appear upon the trial of such causes that the applicant has a superior title to that of any other claimant under the now existing laws of this State, a grant under this act shall be so decreed under such applicant by the court. Second: and the bill by changing the numbers of sections 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 to sections 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Upon motion of Mr. Starr, that portion of the Governor's message which refers to education be referred to Committee on Education.

Upon motion of Mr. Dunwody, that part of the Governor's message referring to the W and A. Railroad be referred to Committee on Railroads.

Upon motion of Mr. Redwine, the Senate went into executive session at 11 o'clock.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution was read first time:

By Mr. Dunwody—

Authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the judges of the United State Court for the northern and southern districts of Georgia certain books.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

The following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to create a Board of Insurance Commissioners for this State



Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to regulate the trial of issues of fact and before juries in the several courts of this State.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to prohibit arresting officers advising or procuring dismissal or settlement of criminal cases.

Also, a bill to amend section 4641 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 3623 of the Code of 1882.

The committee have also had under consideration the following joint resolution, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A resolution providing a recommendation by this Assembly that the United States Senators be elected by the people.

The committee have also had under consideration the fol-

lowing House bills which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend section 3704 of the Code of Georgia.

Also, a bill to prohibit the playing of prize or match games of football in this State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw same, to wit:

A bill to prohibit playing the game of football in this State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to regulate the publication of verdicts of the juries of this State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to provide for the liens of judgments, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE,

Chairman pro tem.

The following joint resolution was read first time:

A resolution to appoint a commission to investigate and report the best system for the regulation of the business of banking in this State.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By unanimous consent, the following bills were tabled without being read: Senate bills Nos. 13, 89 and 99.

The following bill was taken up for the purpose of putting it on its passage:

A bill to prohibit the wearing of any badge or insignia of secret organizations, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Goldin called for the ayes and nays, which vote was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Starr,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Comas,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Culver,	Kemp,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Gray,	Shropshire,	Wooten,

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Stewart of the 27th,	Van Buren,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,
Battle,	Cook,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Golightly,	Mr. President.

Ayes 27    Nays 5.

The bill having received the requisite majority was passed.

The following bill was also put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomson—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla in the county of Dooly.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend by striking the words “of the Code of Georgia of 1895,” occurring between the words “section three” and “shall be for bonds” in section 1 of the act, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “of this act.”

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a

sealed communication to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of the county of Coffee.

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the charter of the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county, and to establish a new charter for the same, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Douglas, as amended.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bills which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Hawkinsville, and for other purposes.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to make the County Court of Hancock county a Court of record, and for other purposes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be read the second time and recommitted to General Judiciary Committee.

A bill to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Redwine, the Senate went into executive session at 11:30 o'clock.

The following message was received from the Governor:

Executive Department,  
Atlanta, Georgia,  
November 9th, 1897

To the General Assembly:

I herewith transmit the majority and minority reports made by the members of the School Book Commission, appointed under resolution number 49, of the General Assembly, approved December 25th, 1896.

In recommending the creation of this Commission in 1896, I said:

"The plan adopted by the State for the printing of the Reports of the Supreme Court, and of the new Code, is yielding results of the most satisfactory character. Georgia Reports, which were sold at \$5.50 per volume, when printed by individuals on their own account, the State is now publishing and selling at a net cost of \$2.00 per volume. The additional volumes printed after the first edi-

tion is exhausted are printed at a cost of \$1.00 per volume to the State, and sold at \$1.50 per volume."

Under recent contract for additional volumes of Supreme Court Reports, after exhaustion of the first edition, the cost is \$0.90 per volume, complete and delivered to the State.

The Code of 1882, in one volume, containing 1482 pages, printed on private account, was sold to the public at \$10 per copy.

Under the act of the General Assembly providing for the printing of the Code of 1895, on State account, the three volumes, containing 3136 pages, cost something less than \$4.00 for the three volumes.

The following statement presents clearly the comparative cost of our Code published upon State's account under the competitive bid system and what we are actually paying for the school-books used by our children in the public schools.

### CODE.

Three volumes, containing 1,500,000 words, cost \$4.00

### SCHOOL-BOOKS.

Five School-books, containing 659,000 words,	
cost	1.88

Five School-books, containing 215,000 words,	
cost	4.00

The cost of printing the same number of words in	
school-books as in the Code, would be.	9.52

In this calculation I have not computed the compensation which must be paid to authors nor other necessary ex-

penses which will readily suggest themselves to you. On the other hand, it must be borne in mind that only a few thousand copies of the Code were printed, while school-books are issued by the hundreds of thousands and their printing should, therefore, cost less.

### ANOTHER COMPARISON

At my request, one of the best equipped and reliable publishing houses in the State has furnished me the following statement showing what is now being paid for school-books in Georgia, and at what price it would be willing to print the same books in lots of one hundred thousand:

BOOK.	PUBLISHER.	PUB. PRICE.	PRICE BID.
Wentworth's Practical Arithmetic.....	Ginn & Co.....	400 pp. \$ .65	\$ .18
Third Reader .....	Ginn & Co.....	256 pp. .40	.12
First Book in American History (Eggleston).....	American Book Co.....	224 pp. .60	.11
Swinton's Word Primer .....	American Book Co..	96 pp. .15	.04
Sanford's Higher An. Arithmetic .....	American Pub. Co.....	160 pp. 1.00	.24
Graves' New Graded Speller.....	Ginn & Co.....	160 pp. .25	.10
McGuffey's Third Eclectic Reader .....	American Book Co.....	208 pp. .40	.14

This company is able and willing to take the contract to publish at the prices named and give bond to comply with their contract.

You can add to these prices a fair royalty to be paid to the author and draw your own conclusions as to whether or not we are being made to pay an unreasonable and unjust tribute to a lordly trust.



I submit to you the consideration of the question, discussed in the majority and minority reports with the confident belief that you possess the wisdom to discern and the courage to apply the remedy.

### RIGHT OF WAY OF THE WESTERN AND ATLANTIC RAILROAD, AT MARIETTA.

At the session of the General Assembly in 1896, there was passed a resolution entitled "A resolution authorizing the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Company to acquire certain rights in the use of the right of way of the Western and Atlantic Railroad in and near the city of Marietta."

By virtue of authority granted in said resolution I appointed as arbitrator Hon. Dupont Guerry, of the county of Bibb. His report to me accompanies this message and fully explains the failure to adjust the question submitted.

Since this report of Mr. Guerry and the evidence submitted to the arbitrators, which is now in possession of Hon. W. A. Wimbish, Special Attorney for the W and A. R. R., gives the necessary information as to the value of the use of the property in question, I recommend that there be no further effort made to arbitrate. It is the State's property, and the only thing necessary to be done is for the General Assembly, if it desires to sell, to pass an act fixing the price at which it may be sold. From the best evidence at my command, I am of the opinion that we should keep the property or realize for it at least eight thousand dollars.

Hon. Dupont Guerry and Hon. W. A. Wimbish will each be pleased to give you in this matter whatever aid they can render.

I hope this can be disposed of at the present session of the General Assembly, as the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railroad Co. is now occupying this right of way and should be required to pay for its use or be removed from its possession.

W. Y. ATKINSON, GOVERNOR.

The following communication accompanied the Governor's message:

Macon, Ga., Nov. 8, 1897

In the matter of arbitration of due compensation to the State for the right of Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Co. "to perpetually use and occupy a portion of the right of way of the Western & Atlantic Railroad for railroad purposes" at Marietta, Ga., under resolutions of the General Assembly of Georgia, approved by the Governor on the 9th day of October, 1895, and December 23d, 1896.

*To His Excellency, W. Y. Atkinson, Governor of Georgia:*

Sir:—The undersigned who was selected by yourself as arbitrator on behalf of the State in the above matter, begs leave to submit the following report:

Mr. George M. Brown, of Atlanta, was selected by the Railway Company, as arbitrator, and so acted.

Owing to several causes of delay, the arbitrators met for the first time at Marietta, on the 24th day of May last,

and were duly sworn by each other as required by law. A number of witnesses were examined but before much progress had been made it was discovered that the Lessees of of the Western & Atlantic Railroad had consented that the proposed right of way might be acquired by the Railway Company down to the northern margin of Mill Street, but no farther, and that the Railway Company was occupying two hundred feet further south to Depot Street, it being suggested at the time by Mr. William A. Wimbish, Special Counsel for the State, that this portion of the property was valuable and desirable on the part of the Lessees and the State for the probable construction of a depot for the Western & Atlantic Railroad. The arbitrators promptly agreed that without consent of the Railway Company and the State, they had no power to proceed, and it was thereupon agreed between Mr. Alexander Smith, Counsel for the former, and Mr. Wimbish, Special Counsel for the State, that they would proceed and limit the arbitration to the proposed right of way north of Mill street, being 4401 lineal feet, instead of 4601, as theretofore contemplated. The hearing thereupon proceeded until all the witnesses present and offered were sworn and examined.

Owing to other causes of delay the arbitrators did not meet again until the 20th of September, it having been agreed between counsel before the arbitrators upon adjournment at Marietta, on account of delays anticipated, that the Railway Company "should have reasonable time in which to comply with the terms of the resolutions, and that the Railway Company should not suffer at the hands of the State in that regard."

On September 20th, the examination of witnesses was concluded and the case set for argument on the 29th day of the same month. ,

The argument was heard on that day and the arbitrators began the consideration and discussion of it between themselves on that day and continued it the next.

It was soon discovered that they were far apart, not only as to the proper amount to be awarded the State, but upon nearly all questions that had to be considered in reaching a conclusion. In order to ascertain how the arbitrators differed and what each thought was a proper amount, it was agreed that each should hand the other at the same time his figures.

From an inspection of the property and from a consideration of the evidence in its totality, I thought the sum of ten thousand dollars a just compensation to be paid the State for the perpetual use and occupancy of the proposed strip of 4401 feet for railroad purposes, under the restrictions and terms of the resolutions, but the only evidence that I could receive as specific and as emanating from a witness of requisite knowledge and experience, and who testified upon the real issue under the law and the resolutions under which we were acting, was that of Mr. Martin Dooly, and I yielded to his opinion that the land for the purposes intended and on the terms imposed, was of the value of two dollars per lineal foot, and named the sum of \$8,802.00 as the just and proper amount to be awarded.

Mr. Brown named the sum of four hundred and fifteen dollars.

We continued our discussion but were too far apart to agree, and never agreed.

Since then we have submitted to each other many nominations for third arbitrator as required by the resolutions but never agreed until the members of the Legislature were assembling for the present session, when we agreed upon the Hon. Thomas C. Crenshaw.

The three arbitrators had their first meeting on Saturday, the 6th inst., in the city of Atlanta, when it transpired that both Mr. Crenshaw and Mr. Brown were not inclined to proceed at this time, or until there shall be some authoritative action on the question of our power to now act, so long after the period of six months within which the Railway Company was required by the resolutions to comply with their terms, had expired, and after the legislature of the State had reassembled and the Representatives of the people were in position to give the matter their appropriate attention.

Not being myself free from doubt as to whether an award at this time and under these circumstances would be binding upon the State, I said to the Messrs. Crenshaw and Brown that I would report the present status of the matter to your Excellency, calling attention to the question raised as before referred to, and also to the fact that the lessees had not given their assent as to the entire strip of land as hereinbefore set forth, informing these gentlemen at the same time that I felt it to be my duty to bring the matter to the attention of yourself and the General Assembly while the latter was in session and had time in which to act

in such manner and to such extent as that Honorable body might see fit.

In this suggestion these gentlemen concurred, and I now make this report.

Thanking you for the confidence reposed and regretting that the matter has not reached a just and final conclusion, I am,

Most respectfully,

DUPONT GUERRY

The following bill was put upon its passage:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2 of article 7 of the Constitution.

This being a constitutional amendment, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Comas,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kemp,	Turner,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.
Flynt,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Shropshire,	Walker of the 40th.
Sheffield,	Van Buren,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Walker of the 18th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Mr. President.
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendments were as follows:

Amended by adding after the word “charity” in the 19th line of section 1 the following: “All property used for purely charitable purposes.”

The bill in full was as follows:

A bill to be entitled an act to alter and amend paragraph second of section 2 of article seven of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to enlarge the power of exemption from taxation of all places of religious worship or burial, and also all property belonging to colleges, incorporated academies, or other seminaries of learning; to provide for the proper ratification of the same by the people; for the promulgation by the Governor of the ratification in case of ratification; and for other purposes.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia, That paragraph second of section 2 of article seven of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, which is designated as section 5182 of the Code of 1882, be and the same is hereby altered and amended by striking out after the words “public property” in the second line of said sec-

tion the words "places of religious worship or burial," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "all property of any church, religious society or sect," and also by striking out after the words "public charity" in the third line of said paragraph the following words: "all buildings erected for and used as a" and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "all property of any," and also by striking out the whole of the proviso in the three last lines of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Provided the property so exempted be not used for any other purposes than for the benefit of such named institutions, respectively, and not for private profit or income," so that said paragraph when amended shall read as follows: "Paragraph 2. Exemptions.—The General Assembly may by law exempt from taxation all public property, all property of any church, religious society or sect, all institutions of purely public charity, all property used for purely charitable purposes, all property of any college, incorporated academy, or other seminary of learning, the real and personal property of any public library, and that of any other literary association used by or connected with such library; all books and philosophical apparatus, all paintings and statuary of any company or association kept in a public hall and not held or sold as merchandise or for the purposes of sale or gain; provided the property so exempted be not used for any other purposes than for the benefit of such named institutions, respectively, and not for private profit or income.

Section 2. Be it further enacted, That whenever the above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be



agreed to by two-thirds of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, and the same has been entered on their journals, with the ayes and nays taken thereon, the Governor shall, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cause said amendment to be published in at least two newspapers in each congressional district in this State for at least two months next preceding the time of holding the next general election.

Section 3. Be in further enacted, That the above proposed amendment shall be submitted for ratification or rejection to the electors of this State at the next general election to be held, after publication as provided for in the second section of this act, in the several election districts of the State, at which election every person shall be qualified to vote who is entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly; all persons voting at said election in favor of adopting the proposed amendment to the Constitution shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "for ratification of the amendment to paragraph second of section second of article seventh of the Constitution of this State"; and all persons opposed to the adoption of said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the ratification of the amendment to paragraph second of section second of article seventh of the Constitution of this State"; and if a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly voting thereon shall vote for said amendment, then said paragraph second, as herein amended, shall become a part of the Constitution of this State in lieu of the present paragraph second of said Constitution.

Section 4. Be in further enacted, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the submission of the amendment proposed in the first section of this act to a vote of the people as required by the Constitution of this State in paragraph one of section one of article thirteen, and if ratified the Governor shall, when he ascertains such ratification from the Secretary of State, to whom the returns shall be referred in the manner as in cases of elections for members of the General Assembly, to count and ascertain the result, issue his proclamation for one insertion in one of the daily papers of the State, announcing such result, and declaring the amendment ratified.

Section 5. Be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

By unanimous consent Senate bill No. 65 was tabled.

The following bill was put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomson—

A bill to amend change and repeal section four of the charter of the town of Unadilla, in Dooly county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 34 and the nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite majority, was passed.

The following bill was put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomson—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendment was as follows:

“Amend by striking the words “of the Code of Georgia of 1895,” occurring between the words “section three” and “shall be for bonds” in section one of the act, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “of this act.”

The following bill was read the third time and tabled:  
By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend section 1039 of vol. 3 of the Code of 1895, so as to restrict the employment of misdemeanor convicts.

The following privileged resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Mr. A. A. Lawrence of Savannah during his stay in the city.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of the Twenty-seventh, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
November 11th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Golightly,	Starr,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stevens,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hudson,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Dunwoody,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Goldin,	Shropshire,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Strother,
Battle,	Geiger,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Stewart of the 27th,	Witcher.

The Journal of yesterday was read and confirmed.

Senator Stewart of the 27th moved to reconsider the following bill, which passed yesterday:

A bill to prohibit the wearing badges of secret orders.

The motion was carried by vote, ayes 19, nays 12.

Mr. Kilpatrick moved to reconsider the following bill: which was passed yesterday:

A bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2 of article 7 of the Constitution.

Upon the motion to reconsider, Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Kemp,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th.
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Culver,	Hudson,	Turner,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Starr,	Wooten.
Golightly,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Witcher,
Battle,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Walker of the 18th,	

The motion, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to House resolution, to wit:

A resolution inviting Chancellor Boggs to address the General Assembly.

Upon motion of Mr. Dunwody, the Governor's message was referred to the Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of the 27th, leave of absence was granted himself and Senators Comas, Golden, Culver, and Sheffield, to visit the Asylum on the 15th.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was taken up and put upon its passage:

A bill to create a Board of Dental Examiners in this State.

The bill, having been read the third time, was not read again.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Dunwody called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th.
Comas,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Golightly,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Gray,	Starr,	Wooten.
Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Castleberry,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Strother.
Carter,	Mann,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Walker of the 18th,
Battle,	Geiger,	Witcher,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Mr. President.
Cook,		

Ayes 26. Nays 8.

The bill, having received the constitutional majority, passed as amended.

First amendment:

Amend substitute as follows: By inserting after the word "right" in the eighth line of section 1, the following words, "under the laws of Georgia."

Second amendment:

Amend second section by striking from the twenty-

eighth line thereof the figures "1897" and insert in lieu thereof "1898."

Third amendment:

Amend section 3 by inserting after the word "meet" in the third line thereof the following words: "immediately after the close of the commencement of said Dental College in this State," in the place where such college may be located and also to meet.

Fourth amendment:

Amend section 7 in the seventh line by striking the figures and words "4310 of the Code of 1882" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures and words "1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895."

Fifth amendment:

Amend section 8 by striking the words and figures "4310 of the Code of 1882" in the sixth and seventh lines, and inserting the words and figures as follows: "1039, volume 3 of the Code of 1895."

Sixth amendment:

Amend section 9 by striking the words and figures "4310 of the Code of Georgia of 1882" in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "1039 of volume 3 of the Code of Georgia of 1895."

Seventh amendment:

Amend by striking the words and figures "fifteen dol-



lars (\$15.00)" in the fifth line of section 10 and inserting in lieu thereof "ten dollars (\$10.00)," and striking the words and figures in the eighth and ninth lines of same section as follows, "five dollars (\$5.00)" and inserting in lieu thereof "four dollars (\$4.00)."

Eighth amendment:

Amend by striking the words and figures in the twelfth line of section 11 as follows, "fifteen dollars (\$15.00)" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "ten dollars (\$10.00)."

By unanimous consent, Mr. Comas withdrew Senate bill No. 78.

By unanimous consent, Senator Comas introduced a resolution changing the time of holding the Superior Court of Appling county.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

The following bill was read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 1030 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was put upon its passage:

A bill to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of lands under claim of title certain powers.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Brinson called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Comas,	Mann,	Turner,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Starr,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Stevens,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Ham,	Redwine,
Dunwody,	Kemp,	Shropshire.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Westmoreland,
Battle,	Goldin,	Wilcox,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Witcher,
Cook,	McFarland,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Walker of the 18th,	

Ayes 24. Nays 6.

The bill, having received the requisite majority, was passed.

Mr. Booker, Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have examined and find properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend, change and repeal section 4 of the charter of the town of Unadilla, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to quiet the title of lands in Camden county, and to provide for the granting same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. BROOKE, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th district, Chairman of Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following bills and resolution, which they instruct me to report back with recommendation as follows, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the benefits of all debenture redemption companies, etc.

That this bill do pass as amended.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the deposits of securities by Building and Loan Associations.

That this bill do pass as amended.

Also, a joint resolution providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report the best system for the regulation of the business of banking in this State.

That this resolution do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

STEWART, 34th District, Chairman.

The following bill was read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Hudson—

A bill to amend section 1643, volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was recommitted to the Penitentiary Committee:

A bill to give misdemeanor convicts the right to make contracts of labor.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 2 was made special order for Tuesday next.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, Senate bill No. 30 was made special order for Thursday, November 18th, immediately after reading of Journal.

The privileges of the floor were extended to Mr. Jas. Swann, of the city of New York, during his stay in the city.

Also, to Dr. Marshall A. Laine, of the city of Atlanta.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Battle, Brooke, and Strother.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the Senate adjourned until to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, November 12th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Golightly,	Starr,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stevens,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Comas,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Goldin,	Shropshire,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Strother,
Battle,	Geiger,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Stewart of the 34th,	Witcher.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Comas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Mr. M. J. Horton during his stay in the city.

Resolution was agreed to.

A resolution by Mr. Flewellen—

Resolved, That the President of the Senate appoint five members and the Speaker of the House appoint ten members to look into the tax laws of this State.

Resolution was adopted.

Committee on part of Senate is Messrs. Flewellen, Dunwoody, Kilpatrick, Flynt, and Allen.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following bill and joint resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the validating all bonds which may hereafter be issued for counties, municipalities, or divisions, and for other purposes.

A joint resolution to refund to G. W. Chamblee one hundred dollars overpaid by him as special tax in the year 1894.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to establish a city court for the city of Valdosta.

Also, a bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money, and to provide for taxation to meet said obligations.

Also, a bill to authorize the Mayor and Council to issue bonds for school purposes for the town of Ellijay.

Also, a bill to protect fish in the waters of Bibb county.

Also, a bill to amend an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks in the county of Franklin.

Also, a bill to abolish the city court of Lowndes county.

Also, a bill to prohibit the manufacture of spirituous liquors in Elbert county.

Also, a bill to provide for the payment of fees of constables in transmitting prisoners to the common jail.

Also, a bill to provide for the admission of women physicians in the woman's department of State Lunatic Asylum.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$1,000.00 to repair certain maps in the office of Secretary of State.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution to appropriate \$500.00 to procure a life-size portrait of Hon. Chas. F. Crisp.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Wight of Dougherty, Dodson of Sumter.

The following bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Kemp—

A bill to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Courts in the counties of Washington, Johnson, Tatnall, Bullock, Emanuel, Jefferson, and Screven.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to regulate the sale and distribution of dynamite, nitroglycerine, and other explosive substances, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 65 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court.



By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to enlarge the powers of the Railroad Commissioners so as to give them the power and authority to regulate the charges by telephone companies.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

The following bills were read the first time:

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to prohibit the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors in Elbert county.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Underwood—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Franklin.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a Board of Dental Examiners, prescribe its powers and duties, and to regu-

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to extend the powers of the Railroad Commission in this State.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

Under the regular order the following House bills were read the first time:

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to authorize and empower the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to regulate the fees of constables for transmitting prisoners to common jails of this State.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. West—

A bill to establish a city court in the city of Valdosta, in the county of Lowndes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to repair worn-out maps, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

late dentistry and the practice thereof, and to repeal existing laws regulating the same, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of land under claim of title to set off the value of permanent improvements and to recover the value of same in excess of mesne profits, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

By Mr. West—

A bill to abolish the city court of Lowndes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to protect the fish in the waters of Bibb county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to permit women physicians certain privileges in the Asylum.

Referred to Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

By Mr. Reece—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Rome, in the county of Floyd.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Watkins—

A bill empowering the city court of Ellijay to create a debt not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

Upon motion of Mr. Berner, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Stewart of 34th District—

A bill to regulate the reports of securities by Building and Loan Associations.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a city court in Douglas.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to abolish the city court of Coffee.

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to abolish the charter of the town of Lyons, and to establish a new one.

The following Senate bill was read second time and re-committed to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Carter—

To amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Mr. Ham, Chairman pro tem. of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and found properly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county.

Respectfully submitted.

T. C. HAM, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Redwine, Chairman of the Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration House bill No. 519, by Mr. Johnson of Hall.

A bill granting to corporations or individuals owning or operating plants or works for generating electricity certain powers, and that the same do pass by substitute.

Respectfully submitted.

REDWINE, Chairman.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of the 34th, the following bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

A bill to regulate the benefits of all debenture companies.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 6, and passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amendment 1. Amend caption by striking out in line thirteen the words "the treasurer of this State," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "with some one of the legally authorized State depositories of this State, or with a legally incorporated and duly authorized trust company, to be selected by the Board of Directors of such Association."

Amendment 2. Amend section 1 by striking out in the sixteenth line the words the "Treasurer of this State," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "some one of the legally authorized State depositories of this State, or with a legally incorporated and duly authorized trust company, to be selected by the Board of Directors of such Association."

Amend section 2 in line thirty-nine by inserting after the word "companies" the following words, to wit: "to ascertain whether said associations have deposited the amount of money, bonds or other securities required by this act."

Amend section 3 in the fourth line by striking out after the word "securities" the words with the "Treasurer of this State."

Amend section 4 by striking out in the seventh line after the word "the" the words "State Treasurer," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "State depository of trust company holding such securities."

Amend section 5 by striking out in the fifth line after the

word "deposited" the words "with the State Treasurer," and insert in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "under this act." Also, amend section 5 by striking out in the eleventh line after the word "the" the following words: "State Treasurer of this State," and insert in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "State depository or trust company holding such securities."

Amend section 6 by striking out in line fourteenth after the word "the" the words "Treasurer of the State" and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "State depository or trust company holding its securities." Also, amend section 6 by striking out in the seventeenth line the words "State Treasurer" and inserting in lieu thereof after the word "with" in the sixteenth line the following words, to wit: "such State depository or trust company."

Upon unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken up to be put upon its passage:

A bill to authorize the recording of bonds for titles to real estate.

The report of the committee was disagreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, the bill was tabled.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was put upon its passage:

A bill to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county, and prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite majority, was passed as amended.

First amendment: Amend by adding after the word "age" in the fifth line of section 9 the following words: "and under fifty."

Second amendment: Amend by adding after the figures "1039" and before the word "of" in the twelfth line of section 13 the following words: "volume 3."

The following House bill was read second time and re-committed to the General Judiciary Committee:

A bill to amend section 3704 of the Code of Georgia.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time, to wit:

A bill to make the county court of Hancock county a court of record.

Also, a bill to make Stafford's office calendar legal evidence covering all dates between the years 1490 and 2000.

Also, a bill to prevent the hunting or catching of opossums between the first of March and the first of October.

Also, a bill to amend section 4118 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

Also, a bill to more speedily determine *habeas corpus* cases.

Also, a bill to create a seal for County Boards of Edu-



cation, and require all County School Commissioners to place the same on teachers' license.

Also, a bill to provide for ordinary *pro hoc vice* in case of disqualified ordinaries.

Also, a bill to prohibit arresting officers advising or procuring dismissal or settlement of criminal cases, and to provide a penalty for the same.

Also, a bill to pay jurors from the county treasury in actions in which the county is interested.

Also, a bill to prohibit the playing of match games of football in this State.

Also, a bill to prohibit the tearing up or destroying of macadamized roads in this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 4641 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 3623 of the Code of 1882.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Hawkinsville, in Pulaski county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for the confirming and validating all bonds which may hereafter be issued for counties, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend section 1047 of the Penal Code.

Also, a bill to amend section 4446 of the Code of 1895.

The following joint resolutions were read second time, to wit:

Resolution providing a recommendation by this Assembly that United States Senators be elected by the people.

Also, a resolution refunding to G. W. Chamblee one hundred dollars overpaid tax for the year 1894.

The following joint resolution was read first time:

A resolution appropriating \$500.00 to procure a life-size portrait of Hon. Ohas. F. Crisp.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th moved to adjourn until Monday at 12 o'clock, which motion was lost.

Mr. Golightly moved to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock, which motion was lost.

Mr. Stewart of the 27th moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, which motion was lost.

Mr. Carter moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock, which motion was lost.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th moved to adjourn until 2 o'clock this afternoon, which motion was lost.

Mr. Gray moved to take a recess for fifteen minutes, which motion was lost.

Mr. Kilpatrick moved to continue the session until the business on the Clerk's desk was disposed of, which motion was carried.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of the 27th the following House bills were indefinitely postponed:

A bill to repeal an act creating a county court in the county of Walton.

Also, a bill to establish a city court in Monroe, in the county of Walton.

The following House bills were taken up which were adversely reported from committee:

A bill to provide for the lien of judgments, and for other purposes.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill lost.

Also, a bill to amend section 1110 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

Also, a bill to amend section 981 of the Code of 1895, volume 3.

Report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

Also, a bill to prohibit trespassing on public roads in this State.

Report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

The following House bill was read the second time:

A bill to fix the fees of constables for executing possessory warrants.

The committee's report was adverse to the passage of the bill.

The report of the committee was agreed to and the bill was lost.

The following joint resolution was tabled:

A resolution to appoint a commission to investigate and report the best system for the regulation of the banking business.

The privileges of the floor was extended to Mr. A. T. Hackett, of Ringgold, during his stay in the city

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Walker, Flewellen, Everett, Allen, and Culver.

Leave of absence was also granted sub-committee to visit camps at Bainbridge and Donaldsonville for and after Monday.

Mr. Stewart of 34th moved to adjourn until Monday at 11 o'clock.

Senator Stewart moved as substitute that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock.

Senator Golightly moved as substitute that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senator Culver moved as a substitute that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 12 o'clock.

The longest time was put first and was carried.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Monday, November 15th, 12 O'clock M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Senator Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Battle moved to reconsider the following House bill, to wit:

A bill to regulate the benefits of all debenture redemption companies.

Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Brooke,	Golightly,	Starr,
Carter,	Gray,	Stevens,
Cook,	Kemp,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Witcher.
Geiger,	Sheffield,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Mann,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Stewart of the 27th,	Thomson,
Castleberry,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Walker of the 18th,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	Hudson,	Wooten,
Culver,	Strother,	Mr. President.
Everett,	Van Buren,	

Ayes 23. Nays 7

The motion, having received the requisite majority, was carried.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th moved to recommit to the Committee on Banks the bill just reconsidered, which motion was carried.

The following joint resolution was also recommitted to Committee on Banks.

A resolution to appoint a commissioner to investigate and report the best system for the regulation of banking business in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the session was extended until 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of reading House bills first time.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Homer, in Banks county

Also, a bill to change the town of Lawrenceville to the city of Lawrenceville.

Also, a bill to abolish the city court of Calhoun county.

Also, a bill to extend the corporate limits of the city of East Rome.

Also, a bill to amend section 428 of the third volume of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 655 of the Civil Code of 1895, to provide additional privileges to miners.

Also, a bill to amend section 657 of the Code, to provide for a division of surplus water from mills and factories.

Also, a bill to authorize the Trustees of the Houston Female College to sell the house and lot in the town of Perry.

Also, a bill to authorize the Mayor and Council of LaGrange to erect and maintain a system of waterworks, electric lights, and sewerage for the city of LaGrange.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution providing for a commission to communicate with the Legislatures of different States looking to the marking and caring for graves of Confederate soldiers in Northern States.

The following communication was received from his

Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a communication in writing, with accompanying document.

Executive Department,  
Atlanta, Ga., November 15th, 1897

*Gentlemen of the General Assembly:*

I am in receipt of a letter from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University, dated November 13th, 1897, which reads as follows:

*"His Excellency, Wm. Y Atkinson, Atlanta, Ga.:*

"Governor:—Developments made since the present session of the General Assembly began, show that the administration of the trust in charge of the Board of Trustees of the University of Georgia is being criticized and by some blamed.

Personally, the Board could and would stand that, relying upon time for their vindication, but they feel that there is danger that the educational interests of the State will suffer unless they have an opportunity, before anything is done in the premises, to be heard before the General Assembly. They believe that whatever of adverse sentiment exists against the University arises from either misinformation or want of accurate information about the facts. The



Board will meet here next week, and hereby ask your Excellency to procure for them a speedy hearing before the General Assembly.

I have the honor to be

Yours respectfully,

N. J. HAMMOND,

Chairman Board of Trustees University of Georgia."

In compliance with this request I respectfully ask that at an early date you give to these public servants, charged by law with the administration of the affairs of the University, an opportunity to be heard by the representatives of the people to whom they are responsible.

I earnestly hope that you will select, for this hearing, a day and time when you can reasonably expect a full attendance of the members of the General Assembly.

W. Y. ATKINSON, Governor.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman of the Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration House bill No. 521, by Mr. Felder, of Fulton, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 420 of the Criminal Code of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

The Governor's message was referred to Committee on Rules.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution requesting the House of Representatives to return certain bills to the Senate for the purpose of making certain clerical corrections.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read the second time, to wit:

A bill granting to corporations or individuals engaged in constructing or owning any plant or works for generating electricity certain powers.

Under the regular order the following House bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize and empower the Mayor and Council of LaGrange to purchase and build waterworks and electric lights, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to authorize the Trustees of Houston Female College to sell the house and lot in Perry.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Oakes—

A bill to amend section 655 of the Civil Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Hill—

A bill to amend section 428 of the third volume of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to change the name of the town of Lawrenceville to the city of Lawrenceville.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Ennis—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of East Rome.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to abolish the county court of Calhoun county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Oakes—

A bill to amend section 657 of the Code.

Referred to Committee on Manufacturing.

By Mr. Thompson—

A bill to create a new charter for the town of Homer, in the county of Banks.

The following House resolution was read first time, to wit:

A resolution providing for a communication with the Legislatures concerning the unmarked Confederate graves.

Referred to Committee on the State of the Republic.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Douglasville, Ga.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend section 420 of the Criminal Code of 1895.

The following privilege resolution was adopted:

Inviting Mr. T. H. Atkinson, of the county of Troup, to a seat on the floor of the Senate during his stay in the city

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, November 16th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Flynt,	Strother,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Thomson,
Battle,	Golightly,	Turner,
Blalock,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Brinson,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Brooke,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Castleberry,	Starr,	Witcher,
Cook,	Stevens,	Wooten,
Dunwody,	Stewart of the 34th,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Carter,	Ham,	Sheffield,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Shropshire,
Culver,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Everett,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Goldin,	McFarland,	Westmoreland.
Gray,		

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1643 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to fix the fees of constables for transmitting prisoners to jail.

Also, a bill to amend section 428 of the third volume of the Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to regulate the distribution and sale of dynamite, nitroglycerine, and all other explosive substances in this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 65 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Also, the following Senate resolution, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the Judges of the Northern and Southern Districts of the United States Courts certain books.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same be recommitted to Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to create a new charter for the town of Homer, in Banks county.

Also, the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same be recommitted to the Committee on Mining, to wit:

Also, a bill to amend section 655 of the Civil Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to regulate the trial of issues of fact before juries in the several courts of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 207, to amend the act incorporating the town of Douglas, in Coffee county, and for other purposes.

House bill No. 506, to incorporate the town of Mountville, in the county of Troup, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority.

A bill to repeal an act to create a county court in each county in this State so far as the same applies to the county of Ware.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Waycross to issue bonds for sewerage system, etc.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Ocilla, in Irwin county.



Also, a bill to abolish the dispensary law of Hart county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Rockmart.

Also, a bill to provide for assessors and receivers of tax returns of Hawkinsville.

Also, a bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Thomaston.

Also, a bill to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Miller county.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills by the constitutional majority:

A bill to amend the charter of Unadilla, in Dooly county, repealing certain sections.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Unadilla, in Dooly county.

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate:

A resolution recalling Senate bills Nos. 75 and 81 for correction.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

By unanimous consent House bill No. 585 was recommended to Committee on Mining.

Also, House bill 543 was recommitted to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The following privilege resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. Wm. M. Tumlin during his stay in the city.

Under regular order of business the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage, to wit:

A bill regulating the deposits of securities of Building and Loan Associations in this State.

Mr. Battle moved to lay this bill upon the table, which motion was carried.

Also, the following bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Mann of the Second District—

A bill to abolish the present charter and create a new one for the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Wilcox of the Fifth District—

A bill to abolish the city court of Coffee county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was read third time to be put upon its passage, to wit:

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a city court in Douglas, in the county of Coffee.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend section 10 of said bill by striking the words “for three years before his appointment” in line thirteen of said section.

Also, amend section 10 of said bill by striking the word “thirty” in line seventeen of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “fifteen.”

Also, amend section 10 of said bill by striking the words "the fees in all other misdemeanor cases shall be the same as allowed solicitors-general in the Superior Courts.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 643, to authorize and empower the Mayor and Council of LaGrange to purchase, build and maintain a system of waterworks, electric lights, and sewerage for the city of LaGrange; to hold an election on a day specified, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was read first time:

By Mr. Stevens of the Eleventh District—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Terrell.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By unanimous consent, the following joint resolution was withdrawn from the Committee on State of the Republic and read and adopted:

A resolution by Mr. Calvin providing for a commission to communicate with the Legislatures of the Southern States relative to the Confederate graves in the North.

The following House bill were read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Johnson of Hall—

A bill to grant corporations or individuals generating electricity certain powers in this State.

The report of the committee was do pass by substitute.

By motion of Mr. Redwine the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Reid of Bibb—

A bill providing for the validating of bonds for counties or municipalities issued hereafter.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Thomson called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Aller,	Golightly,	Strother,
Battle,	Gray,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Kemp,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Shropshire,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flewellen,	Redwine,
Brinson,	Goldin,	Sheffield,
Brooke,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Hudson,	Mr. President.
Everett,	McFarland,	

Ayes 27    Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Edwards—

A bill to amend section 4446, relative to the appointment of stenographers for the Superior Courts of this State.

Report of committee was do pass by substitute.

Report of committee was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 22, nays 3.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to amend section 1047 of the Penal Code of 1895.

By motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was laid upon the table.  
By Mr. Atkinson—

A bill making Stafford's almanac legal evidence covering the years from 1490 to 2000.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Cook—

A bill to prevent the hunting or catching of opossums between the first day of March and October of each year.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Chapman—

A bill to amend section 4118 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 2.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Collum—

A bill to create a seal for County Boards of Education, and requiring the County School Commissioner to place the same on all teachers' licenses.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was read third time and tabled:

A bill to provide for ordinaries *pro hoc vice* in case of disqualified ordinaries.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Waycross, in Ware county.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2804 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.



By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 2805 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to prohibit the sale or use of steam boilers in this State that have not metal fusible safety plugs in their crowns.

Referred to Committee on Manufactories.

Upon motion of Mr. Thomas, the Senate went into executive session at 11:20 o'clock.

The following resolution was read:

By Mr. Battle—

Inviting the Trustees of the University of Georgia to address the General Assembly on the 17th inst., at 10:30 o'clock.

Mr. Turner amended by making the hour 7:30 o'clock p. m., which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Battle moved to immediately transmit the resolution just passed to the House, which motion was carried.

By unanimous consent, the time of adjournment was extended.

Mr. Berner moved to reconsider the action just taken on resolution as follows:

A resolution inviting the Trustees of the University to address the General Assembly at 7:30 o'clock.

The motion was carried.

The question was upon adopting the amendment, which makes the time 7:30 p. m. instead of 10:30 a. m.

The amendment was lost.

The question was upon adopting the resolution which makes the time 10:30.

Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Brinson,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Strother,	Wooten,
Golightly,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Castleberry,	Comas,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Sheffield,
Carter,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Cook,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Culver,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	McFarland,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Ayes 25. Nays 3.

The resolution, having received the requisite majority, was adopted.

Mr. Battle moved to immediately transmit the resolution to the House, which motion was carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stands adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, November 17th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Flewellen,	Thomson,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Turner,
Battle,	Gray,	Van Buren,
Blalock,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th.
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Cook,	Starr,	Wooten,
Dunwody,	Strother,	Mr. President.
Everett,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Ham,	Shropshire,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Stevens,
Culver,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Geiger,	McFarland,	Stewart of the 34th,
Goldin,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland.
Golightly,		

The Journal of yesterday was read and confirmed.

The following privilege resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Mr. J H. Henry, of Tatnall county, during his stay in the city.

The privileges of the floor were also extended to Mr. W A. Shackelford during his stay in the city.

Also, to the Hon. W E. Laird and Judge T. L. Hollton and Hon. C. C. Goodnow, Mayor of Fitzgerald, during their stay in the city.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority.

A bill, to abolish the city court of Monroe county.

Also, a bill to amend section 413 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to authorize the town of Cusseta to issue bonds for school purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Washington.

Also, a bill to amend section 815 of the Code of Georgia for the revision of the grand-jury lists.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Buchanan.

Also, a bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Montgomery county.

Also, a bill to establish a city court of Forsyth, in Monroe county.

Also, a bill to repeal the present charter and to enact a new one for the town of Grantville, in Coweta county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the city of Thomaston, in Upson county.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to repeal an act establishing a county court for Appling county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Baxley, in Appling county.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me

to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to amend section 3704 of the Code of Georgia so as to regulate and prescribe the protest fees of notaries public.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken up for the purpose of concurring in the House amendments, which amendments were concurred in.

A bill to establish the city court of Baxley, in Appling county.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend section 4 in lines 16, 17, and 18 as follows: "The judges of the said court of Baxley shall receive a salary of \$800.00 per year."

Amend section 6 in lines two and three as follows: "That there shall be a solicitor of said city court of Baxley, to be appointed by the Governor of the State."

Amend section 8 in lines two and three as follows: "That there shall be a sheriff of the city court of Baxley appointed by the judge thereof, and that the sheriff of Appling county may be eligible to such appointment."

Amend section 11 in lines two, three and four as follows: "That the regular term of said city court of Baxley shall

be held on the first Mondays in April, June, August, October, December, and February of each year.

Under the regular order of business the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to establish the city court of Forsyth, in Monroe county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to repeal the present charter and to enact a new one for the town of Grantville, Coweta county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to authorize the town council of Cusseta to create a debt not to exceed \$2,500.00.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Washington, Ga.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Calhoun—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Montgomery.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Chapman—

A bill to amend section 413 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to amend section 815 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Messrs. Rutherford and Worsham—

A bill to abolish the city court of Monroe county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Edwards—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Haralson.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to incorporate the city of Thomaston, in the county of Upson.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By motion of Mr. Gray, the regular order of business was suspended for the purpose of reading House bills third time.



By Mr. Felder—

A bill to more speedily determine *habeas corpus* cases, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hawes—

A bill prohibiting arresting officers advising or procuring dismissal or settlement of criminal cases, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding Superior Court of Appling county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding Superior Courts of counties of Washington, John-

son, Tatnall, Bulloch, Emanuel, Jefferson, and Screven, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the town of East Rome, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the town of Lawrenceville to the city of Lawrenceville, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the city court of Lowndes county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to protect fish in the waters of Bibb county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of Calhoun county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors of any kind in Terrell county and for other purposes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act regulating and prohibiting the sale of intoxicating or spirituous liquors in Franklin county, and for other purposes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw the same, to wit:

A bill to create the office of insurance commissioner, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the regular order was displaced for the purpose of reading House bills the first time.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Thomas-ton, in Upson county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Jordan—

A bill providing for assessors and receivers of tax returns for the city of Hawkinsville.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Ocilla, in Irwin county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution with amendment, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session to discuss the affairs of the University

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Miller.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to establish the city court of Waveross, in the county of Ware.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to authorize the city of Waveross to issue bonds not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Leard—

A bill to abolish the dispensary law of Hart county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to repeal the county court of Ware county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Wright—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Rockmart, in Polk county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the following House bill was laid upon the table:

A bill to prohibit the playing of match games of football in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Underwood—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Franklin.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to abolish the county court of Calhoun county, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to protect fish in the waters of Bibb county.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to change the name of the town of Lawrenceville to the city of Lawrenceville.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Hudson—

A bill to amend section 1643, volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior court of Appling county.

By Mr. Dunwody—

A resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the judges of the United States Court for the Northern and Southern Districts of Georgia certain books.

By Mr. Kemp—

A bill to fix the time of holding the Superior Courts in the counties of Washington, Johnson, Tatnall, Bullock, Emanuel, Jefferson, and Screven.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to regulate the sale and distribution of dynamite and other explosive substances in this State.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 65 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

The Senate concurred in the House amendment making the hour 11 o'clock instead of 10:30 to convene in joint session to discuss the affairs of the University with the Board of Trustees.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the Senate and House went into joint session.

The joint session having dissolved, the President called the Senate to order.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Stevens for to-day on important business.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stands adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
November 18th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Wilcox.
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Starr,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Culver,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
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The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The regular order was taken up, which is a bill

By Mr. Gray—

To prohibit the sale of any intoxicating, fermented or distilled liquors in this State in less quantities than one pint, and for other purposes.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, which is favorable to the passage of the bill, Mr. Hopkins called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Strother,
Atkinson,	Gray	Thomson,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Witcher.
Everett,	Starr,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		



Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Geiger,	Redwine,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Sheffield,
Carter,	Golightly,	Shropshire,
Comas,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Culver,	Stevens,	Westmoreland,
Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,	Wilcox,
Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,	Mr. President.

Ayes 19. Nays 16.

The report of the committee, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Gray called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Strother,
Atkinson,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Everett,	Starr,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Carter,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th.
Dunwody,	Redwine,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Culver,  
Hudson,  
Kilpatrick,

Stevens,  
Westmoreland,

Wilcox,  
Mr. President.

Ayes 20. Nays 17

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to declare the third day of June a legal holiday in this State.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Guyton.

Also, a bill to prohibit the sale of seed cotton in the county of Jones between August 15th and December 15th of each year.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities to condemn lands for macadamizing public roads.

Also, a bill to amend section 982 of the Code of Georgia.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrollment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate Speaker of the House of Representatives the following act, to wit:

An act to repeal an act entitled an act to establish a county court in and for the county of Apppling.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrollment report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives the following acts, to wit:

An act to amend, change and repeal section 4 of the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in the county of Dooly, providing for a system of waterworks, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to create a new charter for the town of Homer, in Banks county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to abolish the dispensary law of Hart county.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman of Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the author at his own request be allowed to withdraw the same, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize municipal corporations to regulate street railroad forces, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Messrs. Dunwody and Carter were relieved from the committee to visit the Normal School at Athens.

Messrs. Golden and Van Buren were appointed on the committee to visit the Normal School at Athens.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Cole—

A bill to prohibit the playing of prize or match games of football in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 31, nays 4.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following bills were withdrawn:

By Mr. Strother—

A bill providing for examination of pension rolls by grand juries of this State.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to authorize municipal corporations to regulate street railway fees.

By unanimous consent, the following bills were introduced:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to establish a public school in Fulton county outside of Atlanta.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to incorporate the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to make all suits involving less than \$100.00 in the city court of Baxley the appearance shall be the trial term.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Mr. Turner moved to take from the table the following bill to be put upon its passage:

A bill to amend section 1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

The motion was lost.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Shropshire—

Also, to incorporate the town of Trion, in the county of Chattooga.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Shropshire—

Also, a bill to establish a system of free schools in the town of Raccoon, in Chattooga county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Shropshire—

Also, a bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Trion, in the county of Chattooga.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors in Appling county.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Coffee county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish the charter of the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county, and to establish a new charter for same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 561, to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in Butts county, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 492, to amend the charter of the town of Washington, Ga., and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a city court of Douglas, in Coffee county and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.



Mr. Flewellen, Chairman of Committee on Pensions, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under consideration Senate bill No. 72, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the author be allowed to withdraw the same.

Respectfully submitted.

FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

The following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Rawls—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Guyton, in the county of Effingham.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to declare the 3d day of June of each year a legal holiday, known as Jefferson Davis's birthday.

Referred to Committee on State of the Republic.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to authorize the county authorities of this State to condemn land for macadamized road purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend section 982 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Duffy—

A bill to prohibit the sale of seed cotton in the county of Jones.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, Senate bill No. 53 was postponed until Wednesday, the 24th of November, 1897.

Under the regular order Senate bills adversely reported from committees were taken up.

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to prohibit the shooting at turkeys and chickens for gain.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Goldin called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th.
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Witcher.
Ham,	Shropshire,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Everett,	Redwine,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Starr,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Golightly,	Strother,
Comas,	Kemp,	Turner,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hudson,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Stevens,	Wooten,
Gray,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.

Ayes 14. Nays 21.

The report of the committee, not having received a majority, was disagreed to.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following Senate bills were read second time and tabled, to wit:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to regulate the trial of issues of fact before juries in the several courts of this State.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to regulate the publication of verdicts of juries rendered in the several courts of this State.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to authorize the county authorities of this State to appoint detectives in certain cases.

Mr. Gray moved to extend the session until the bill under consideration was disposed of, and until the Senate goes into executive session.

The motion was carried.

The following bill was withdrawn by unanimous consent:

By Mr. Allen—

A bill to prohibit the playing of football in this State.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken up for the purpose of putting it upon its passage:

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend section 420 of the Criminal Code of 1895, which is relative to running freight-trains on Sunday.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Culver,	McFarland,
Battle,	Dunwoody,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Everett,	Starr,
Brinson,	Flewellen,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Strother,
Carter,	Goldin,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Witcher,
Cook,	Mann,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Flynt,	Redwine,	Turner,
Gray,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,	Walker of the 40th.
Kemp,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wilcox,
Golightly,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.
Hudson,		

Ayes 27    Nays 10.

The bill, having received a constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 465, to amend the charter of the city of Rome, so as to extend the corporate limits thereof.

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

At 12:55 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 2 was made special order for Wednesday of next week.

Leave of absence was granted to the committee to visit the Normal School at Athens. The committee consists of Messrs. Stewart of 27th District, Van Buren, Sheffield, Blalock, and Goldin.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Sheffield from Friday until Wednesday next; also, Messrs. Carter and Westmoreland.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Ga.,  
November 19th, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President. Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Redwine, chairman of Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the sale or use of steam boilers that have not metal fusible safety-plugs in their crown-sheets or flue-heads, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

M. L. EVERETT, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Stewart of the Twenty-seventh district, chairman of the Committee on Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Lunatic Asylum have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the admission of women-physicians to competitive examinations for filling vacancies which may occur in the corps of physicians in the Lunatic Asylum, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. STEWART, Chairman.

Mr. Dunwody, Chairman of Committee on Military, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Military have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the procurement of a complete roster by companies of all the troops furnished by the State of Georgia during the civil war, and have said roster recorded in county from which troops were raised, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F DUNWODY, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

Also, a bill to amend section 2805 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2804 of the Code of 1895.

Also, the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 815 of the Code of Georgia.

Also, the following Senate bills, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:



A bill to repeal section 1010 of the Code of this State, adopted December 15th, 1895.

Also, a bill to alter and amend section 974 of the new Code of this State.

Also, the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court, and for other purposes.

Also, the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

*Mr. President:*

The undersigned members of Senate General Judiciary Committee dissent from the favorable report made by the committee on Senate bill No. 91, being "A bill to be entitled an act to repeal section 1010 of the Code of this State, adopted December 15th, 1895, which relates to the prisoner's statement in criminal trials, and also to alter and amend the sub-section No. 2 of section 1011 of the same Code, and so as to make the prisoner on said trials competent but not compellable to give evidence for or against himself," and

we beg leave to submit a minority report thereon that said bill do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR.

EDWD. L. BRINSON.

B. F. WALKER.

J. P. BROOKS.

C. H. MANN.

Mr. Starr, chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the trustees of Houston Female College to sell house and lot of said college in town of Perry, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the town council of Cusseta to create a debt for the purpose of erecting suitable school buildings in said town of Cusseta, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Haralson, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to amend an act, approved December 14th, 1895, establishing the city court of Gwinnett county.

Also, a bill to amend section 1389, Vol. 1, of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to establish and maintain a system of public schools outside of Eatonton, in Putnam county.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution to purchase a book of Georgia forms and practice.

Mr. Redwine, chairman pro tem. of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that they be read the second time and recommitted to Corporation Committee, to wit: '

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Trion, in Chattooga county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town Summerville, in Chattooga county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a system of free schools in the town of Raccoon, in Chattooga county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to repeal the present charter of the town of Trion, in Chattooga county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to repeal the charter of the town of Summerville, and for other purposes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read the second time and recommitted:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Guyton, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a city court in the city of Valdosta, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Walker of the Fortieth district, chairman of Committee on Mines and Mining, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Mines and Mining have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct

me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 657 of the Code, so as to provide for the division of surplus water from mills and factories, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WALKER of the 40th, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 478, to authorize and empower the mayor and council of Ellijay to create a debt not exceeding five thousand dollars to erect a school building, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Stewart of the Thirty-fourth district, chairman of Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Banks have had under consideration the following House bill and joint resolution, which they

instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 982 of the Code of Georgia.

Also, a joint resolution providing for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report the best system of regulating banking in this State.

The Committee on Banks have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the benefits of all debenture redemption companies, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

STEWART (34th District), Chairman.

By unanimous consent, House and Senate bills favorably reported from committees be taken up and read second time.

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to change the time of holding Montgomery superior court; to provide for a two weeks' court.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend paragraph second of section 2804 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 2805 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to prohibit the sale or use of steam-boilers in this State that have not metal fusible safety-plugs in their crowns.

The following Senate bills were read second time and re-committed to Committee on Corporations:

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to incorporate the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Summerville, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to establish a system of free schools in Raccoon, in Chattooga county.

The following House bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. Leard—

A bill to abolish the dispensary law in Hart county.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Douglas, in Coffee county.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to provide for the payment of constable fees in transmitting prisoners to common jails of this State.

By Mr. Reece—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome, in Floyd county.

By Mr. Ennis—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of East Rome.

By Mr. West—

A bill to abolish the city court of Lowndes county.

By Mr. Thompson—

A bill to create a new charter for the town of Homer, in Banks county.

By Messrs. Brown and Jordan—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Hawkinsville, in Pulaski county.

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize the mayor and city council of La-Grange to purchase suitable buildings and maintain a system of water-works.

By Mr. Ogletree—

A bill to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in the county of Butts.



By Mr. Hill—

A bill to amend section 428 of Vol. 3 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to incorporate the town of Mountville, in the county of Troup.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill for the admission of women-physicians to written competitive examination with male physicians at the Lunatic Asylum.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Houston Female College to sell the house and lot in Perry.

By Mr. Watkins —

A bill to authorize the city authorities of Ellijay to issue bonds not to exceed \$5,000.

By Mr. Oaks—

A bill to amend section 657 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Edwards—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Buchanan, in Haralson county.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to empower the town council of Cusseta to create a debt not to exceed \$2,500.

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to amend section 815 of the Code of Georgia.

By Mr. Pearce—

A bill to provide for a complete roster by companies of all the troops furnished by the State of Georgia to the civil war.

By Mr. West—

A bill to establish a city court in the city of Valdosta, Lowndes county.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Washington, in Wilkes county.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend section 982 of the Code of Georgia.

Also, the following joint resolutions:

By Mr. Calvin—

Providing for a commission to investigate and report the best system for regulating banking business in this State.

The following Senate resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Everett:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint six pages, the same as last year.

The following Senate bills were read the first time:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to increase the rank of the Adjutant-General of this State.

Referred to Committee on Military.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 859 of Vol. 3 of the Code.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, a bill to amend section 858 of Vol. 3 of the Code.

The following House bills were read the the first time:

By Mr. Rawls—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Guyton.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Jenkins—

A bill to maintain a public school system for Putnam county outside of Eatonton.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to abolish the city court of Gwinnett county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Hitch—

A bill to amend section 1389 of Vol. 1 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Also, the following joint resolution:

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A resolution to subscribe for and purchase copies of a book of Georgia Forms and Practice.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

The following Senate bill was read the second time:

By Mr. Stevens—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Terrell.

Upon motion of Mr. Geiger, the Senate took a recess of fifteen minutes at 11:05 o'clock.

The Senate was called to order at 11:20 o'clock.

Upon motion of Mr. Hopkins, the Senate took a recess until 12 o'clock.

The Senate was again called to order at 12 o'clock.

The following communication was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body, in executive session.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 515, to incorporate the city of Thomaston, and for other purposes.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 514, to repeal the act to incorporate the town of Thomaston.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Redwine, chairman pro tem. of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ocilla, in Irwin county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman pro tem.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, the Senate went into executive session at 12:55 o'clock.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read the second time.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Ocilla, in Irwin county.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Thomaston, in Upson county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Thomaston, in Upson county.

Leaves of absence were granted to Messrs. Cook, Shropshire, and Kilpatrick until next Monday afternoon, to visit convict camp.

Also, to Messrs. Atkinson, McFarland, Walker of the Fortieth, Everett, Mann, and Geiger until ————— to visit convict camp.

Also, to Senator Castleberry, on account of sickness.

Also, to Senator Brinson, until Tuesday, on account of important business.

Also, to Senator Kemp, for Monday.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn until Monday at 9 o'clock.

Senator Gray moved to amend by making it 10 o'clock.

Senator Stewart of the Thirty-fourth moved to make the hour 12 o'clock.

The longest time being put first, the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.\_

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Ga.,  
Monday, November 22, 12 O'clock M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President. Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Strother,
Battle,	Gray,	Turner,
Blalock,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Mann,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Geiger,	Starr,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Cook,	Stevens,
Carter,	Kemp,	Stewart of the 27th,
Castleberry,	Redwine,	Thomson,
Comas,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to create the office of commissioner of public works for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Newton, in Baker county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Woodstock, in Decatur county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Donaldsonville, in Cherokee county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Dahlonega, in Lumpkin county.

Also, a bill to provide for insolvent costs of solicitor; to repeal the act of February 28th, 1876.

Also, a bill to provide for the levy and collection of a tax for school purposes in the town of Lincolnton, in Lincoln county.

Also, a bill to prohibit the manufacture of spirituous liquors in Meriwether county.

Also, a bill to regulate the distribution of funds arising from fines and forfeitures in the county court of Wilkes county.



Also, a bill to establish a dispensary for the town of Morgan, in Calhoun county.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution appointing a joint committee of ten from the House and five from the Senate to visit and report the condition of the Normal School at Athens.

Also, a resolution inviting Hon. J. L. M. Curry and Hon. James Wilson to address the General Assembly on November 29th, at 11 o'clock.

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution, to wit:

A resolution to provide for a committee of five from the Senate and ten from the House to revise the tax laws of the State.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Oliver, Calvin, Pace, Redding, Patten, Moore, Edwards, McMichael, Reese, Cannon.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to the following House bill, to wit:

A bill to prohibit the playing of football in this State.

Mr. Kilpatrick, chairman of the Railroad Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Railroad Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report

back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to extend the powers of the Railroad Commissioners so as to give them power and authority to regulate the charges of sleeping-car companies.

Also, a bill to enlarge the powers of the Railroad Commissioners, so as to give them power and authority to regulate the charges of telephone companies.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in Fulton county, outside of the city of Atlanta, so as to make the county treasurer of Fulton county treasurer of Fulton county board of education.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Leaves of absence were granted to Messrs. Witcher, Cook, Stewart of the Twenty-seventh, and Kemp.

Under regular order, the following Senate bill was read the first time:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to limit the amount of compensation to be paid ordinaries, clerk of superior court, sheriff, tax collector, tax receiver, commissioners, and court stenographers in this State, in counties of more than 60,000 inhabitants.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read the first time:

By Messrs. Meldrim, McDonough, and Duncan—

A bill to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to regulate the distribution of the fund arising from fines and forfeitures in the county of Wilkes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to make it unlawful to manufacture alcoholic spirits in the county of Meriwether.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend an act establishing a public school system in the town of Dahlonga, in Lumpkin county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to provide for insolvent costs of solicitors, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to incorporate the town of Donaldsonville, in Decatur county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Johnson of Baker—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Newton, in Baker county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Webb—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Woodstock, in the county of Cherokee.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hogan—

A bill to allow the town authorities of Lincolnton, in Lincoln county, to levy a tax not to exceed one-half of one per cent.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish, maintain, and regulate a dispensary in Morgan, Calhoun county.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

The following joint resolution was read and concurred in:

By Mr. Pace—

A resolution inviting the Hon. J. L. M. Curry and the Hon. James Wilson to address the General Assembly on November 29th, at 11 o'clock.

The following House resolution was read and concurred in:

By Mr. Thomas of Clark—

A resolution appointing a joint committee of ten from the House and five from the Senate to visit and report the condition of the State Normal School at Athens.

The committee on the part of the Senate are Messrs. Stewart of the Twenty-seventh, Carter, Sheffield, Blalock, Dunwody.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in Fulton county, out side of Atlanta.

Under the regular order, the following House bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize the city authorities of LaGrange to purchase, build and maintain a system of water-works.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Mountville, in the county of Troup.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 24; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by adding after the word "town" and before the word "is" in the ninth line of section 4 the word "who."

Second amendment: By striking after the word "shall" in the second line of section 7 the following words, to wit: "be ex-officio a justice of the peace, and shall."

Third amendment: And by adding after the word "shows" in the twelfth line of section 10 the following words, to wit: "professions or business."

By unanimous consent, the time of adjournment was extended until 1:30 o'clock.

By Mr. Ogletree—

A bill to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in the county of Butts.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendment was as follows:

Amend by striking from the last line of section 6 the words "God and the holy scriptures helping me so to do," and insert in lieu thereof the following words: "So help me, God."

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to change the name of the town of Lawrenceville to the city of Lawrenceville.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of Douglasville, in Douglas county.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Edwards—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Haralson, so as to create a board of education.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Thomas-ton, in Upson county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Washington, Wilkes county

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.



By Mr. Ennis of Floyd—

A bill to extend the limits of East Rome, in Floyd county.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Ocilla, in Irwin county.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 24.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Douglas, in Coffee county.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by adding the word “not” in the second line of section 9 after the word “tax.”

Second amendment: Amend by striking the words “business or license” in the third line of section 10, and by striking all of line four in section 10, and by striking the following words: “in said city also” in the fifth line of section 10.

Fourth amendment: Amend by striking the word "apprised" and inserting in lieu thereof "approved" in the twelfth line of section 16.

Fifth amendment: Amend by striking all of section 15 after the eleventh line of said section.

Leave of absence was granted Senator Wilcox for to-day, on account of important business.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
November 23d, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Landrum.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Geiger,	Redwine,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Battle,	Golightly,	Starr,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Ham,	Strother,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Culver,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Kilpatrick,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Mann,	Wooten,
Flynt,	McFarland,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Stewart of the 27th,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Stewart of the 34th,	Westmoreland.
Cook,	Thomson,	

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following privilege resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. G. H. Holton, of Appling county, during his stay in the city.

Mr. Gray, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same be read second time and recommitted to Committee on Appropriations.

A resolution to subscribe and purchase copies of Georgia form book.

Respectfully submitted.

C. G. GRAY, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Hudson, Chairman of Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to prohibit the sale of seed cotton in the county of Jones, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. G. HUDSON, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 468, to repeal the present charter and enact a new one for the town of Grantville, Coweta county

House bill No. 634, to authorize the city of Waycross to issue bonds to an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for assessors and receivers of tax returns for the city of Hawkinsville.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to require all packages in which mixed flour is offered for sale to be branded so as to show the true contents.

Also, a bill to establish a system of public schools for the city of Culloden, in the county of Monroe.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Waycross.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Gainesville, in Hall county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the city of Culloden, in Monroe county.

Also, a bill to amend section 4685 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to protect bicycle ways in Washington county.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to allow the town council of the town of Lincolnton to levy a tax of one-half of one per cent. on all taxable property in said town as supplementary school fund.

The Committee on Education have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1389, volume 1 of Code of 1895, providing for school census.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Under the regular order the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Johnson of Hall—

A bill to amend section 4 of the act incorporating the city of Gainesville.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to incorporate the town of Culloden, in Monroe county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Messrs. Rutherford and Worsham—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the town of Culloden, in Monroe county.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to amend section 20 of the charter incorporating the town of Waycross.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Messrs. Armstrong and Callaway—

A bill to protect bicycle ways in the county of Wilkes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend section 4685 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to require all packages in which mixed flour is offered for sale for consumption to have the weight marked on the package.

Referred to Committee on Manufactories.

The following Senate resolution was read second time:

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A resolution to subscribe for and purchase copies of a book of Georgia Forms and Practice.

Recommitted to Committee on Appropriations.

Under the regular order the following Senate bills were read third time and put upon their passage, to wit:

By Mr. Hudson—

A bill to amend section 1643 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Stevens—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in Terrell county, to provide for a dispensary, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.



## Amendments:

By adding at the end of section 4 the following language, to wit: "but shall be fixed at a certain sum per annum by the said dispensary commissioners."

By Mr. Stewart of 34th District—

A bill to regulate the securities of Building and Loan Associations.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amendment to be known as section 6:

Section 6. Be it further enacted, that any mortgage (or other security) which shall have been fully paid to said association, or which the borrower desires to pay off and discharge, and any mortgage (or other security) upon which default in the payment due has been made, and of which said association shall desire possession for the purpose of collection or foreclosure, and all securities needed by it for deposit in any other State, Territory, or Nation, shall be surrendered by said State depository or trust company to the association depositing the same, upon filing with the said depository or trust company the affidavit of the president and secretary thereof, stating reason or reasons for desiring to withdraw such security or securities, and such security or securities shall not be used for any purpose other

than that stated in the affidavit; provided, that when said association is dissolved according to the provisions of its charter, and ceases to do business, all securities deposited by it shall be returned to it upon furnishing said State depository or trust company with satisfactory evidence of the fact of its dissolution as aforesaid. Bonds or stocks deposited with said State depository or trust company as aforesaid shall, if deemed advisable by the association, be surrendered to the association depositing the same, for the purpose of being converted into cash and loaned on real estate.

Second amendment:

Change 6th section of original bill to section 7

By Mr. Kemp—

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Washington, Johnson, Tatnall, Bullock, Emanuel, Jefferson and Screven.

Mr. Hopkins, moved to indefinitely postpone the bill under consideration, which motion was lost.

Upon motion of Mr Walker of the 18th, the bill and amendments were tabled.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 112 was tabled.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 65 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895, relative to cooling time.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 2.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendment is as follows:

Amend by striking in the caption the words "cooling time" and inserting in lieu thereof "sufficiency of time for the voice of reason and humanity to be heard."

By Mr. Dunwody—

A resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the judges of the United States Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Georgia certain books.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by inserting after the word "reports" in the tenth line the following words, to wit: "published by the State."

Also amend by inserting after the word "Georgia" in the tenth line the words "for the use of such courts."

Also amend further by adding at the end of said resolution "for the use of such courts as aforesaid."

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Appling county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to prohibit the sale or use of steam boilers in this State that have no metal fusible or safety plugs in their crown.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Atkinson, Chairman of Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in Appling county, and for other purposes.

The Committee on Temperance have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a dispensary for Calhoun county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to make it unlawful for any person to manufacture any kind of spirituous liquors in Meriwether county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the manufacture of any kind of spirituous liquors in Elbert county.

The Temperance Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors in Harris county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

A. ATKINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the county court of the county of Ware, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Valdosta, in Lowndes county.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of the town of Waycross, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill, as amended, to be entitled an act to authorize and empower the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 413 of the Penal Code of Georgia 1895, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to provide with reference to insolvent costs of solicitors, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Gwinnett county, and for other purposes.

The General Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1030 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

The General Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 859 of volume 3 of Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 858 of volume 3 of Code of 1895.

The General Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the judges of superior, city, and county courts to issue attachments without bond and security.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE. Chairman.

Mr Culver, Chairman of Committee on State of Republic, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on State of Republic have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to make the third day of June, known as birthday of Jefferson Davis, a legal holiday in this State.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. L. CULVER, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. West of Lowndes—

A bill to establish the city court of Valdosta, in Lowndes county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 30, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to amend sub-section 5 of section 3355 of the Code of Georgia of 1895



Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time:

By Mr. Oakes—

A bill to amend section 657 of the Code.

Upon motion of Mr. Starr, the bill was recommitted to Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. Underwood—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Franklin.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments are as follows:

To amend the caption by striking the word "other" in the last line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sacramental."

By Mr. Watkins—

A bill to empower the town council of Ellijay to create a debt not to exceed \$5,000.00.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following privilege resolutions were read and adopted:

A resolution inviting Hon. Henry R. Harris to a seat on the floor during his stay in the city.

Also, a resolution inviting Hon. Ben C Rawlins, of the county of Washington, to a seat on the floor of the Senate during his stay in the city.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to authorize the town council of Cusseta to create a debt not to exceed \$2,500.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to regulate the business of all debenture redemption companies.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amendments:

Amend section 1 by adding at the end thereof the following words:

“Provided, however, that when any such foreign company organized under the laws of any other State, and desiring to do business in this State, has deposited and shall keep deposited with one of the legally authorized depositories of this State, or with a legally incorporated and duly authorized trust company to be selected by the board of directors of such association or other officer of the State in which it is incorporated, twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) or other securities such as are herein above named for the protection of its certificate-holders, bondholders and other creditors, such company shall not be required to make an additional deposit in this State; provided, the State in which such foreign company is incorporated does not require of such companies incorporated under the laws of this State any deposit in addition to the deposit required by this act, to be made as required by the provisions of this act as herein above mentioned.”

Amend section 6, paragraph 2, by inserting in the second line between the word “State” at the end of the second line and the word “showing” at beginning of third line the following words: “or of the Treasurer or other officer of the State in which it may be incorporated.”

Amend section 6 by adding at the end of said section the following words: “Provided, however, that any such company, whether organized under the laws of this State or other State, not now doing business in this State, may hereafter, by complying with the terms of this act, do business in this State although it may be after thirty days after the approval of this act.”

Amend section 7 by adding at the end thereof the following words: "Provided, however, that the tax shall be required of such companies by the State or any county or municipality thereof on any loans or advances held or made by them which are secured by real estate or other property upon which the borrower is required to pay tax.

By Mr. Reece—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Rome.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Oakes—

A bill to amend section 657 of the Code of Georgia.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Stewart of 27th moved to adjourn.

Mr. Battle moved as substitute that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

Upon this motion Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 27th,
Dunwody,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Geiger,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland.
Golightly,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flewellen,	Kilpatrick,
Battle,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brooke,	Ham,	Turner,
Culver,	Kemp,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Cook,	Thomson,
Carter,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Castleberry,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Comas,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 17. Nays 15.

The motion to adjourn, having received the majority, was carried, and the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Ga.,  
Wednesday, November 24, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Geiger,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Carter,	Dunwody,	Witcher.
Cook,	Redwine,	

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Starr, chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 65 of Vol. 3 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1643 of Vol. 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change time of holding superior court of Appling county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to regulate the deposits of building and loan associations.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the use or sale of steam-boilers that have not metal fusible safety-plugs in their crown-sheets or flue-heads.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend sub-section 5 of section 3355 of Code of Georgia of 1895, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish dispensaries in Terrell county, and for other purposes.

The Engrossing Committee have also examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate resolution, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the State Librarian to deliver to the judges of the United States courts for Northern and Southern districts certain volumes of Georgia Reports.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to authorize the town council of Cornelia to issue bonds for school purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Demorest

Also, a bill to provide for the compensation of the ordinary of Bulloch county for extra services, and to fix his salary.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools for the city of Rome.

Also, a bill to amend section 1642, Vol. 1, of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Blairsville, in Union county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham, approved December 23d, 1896.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Stateboro, Ga.

Also, a bill to incorporate the Cartecay and Ellijav Telephone Company.

Also, a bill to amend the caption of an act providing for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Bulloch county, approved September 5th, 1879.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Clarksville, in Habersham county.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in Dooly county



Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Jackson county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Jefferson in Jackson county.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill to incorporate the town of Pepperton, in Butts county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Douglas, in Coffee county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Mountville, in Troup county.

The following communication was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body, in executive session.

The special order was taken up, which is:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 of Article 6, paragraph 1 of section 11 of the Constitution of this State, so as to provide for the election of judges and solicitors-general of the superior courts of this State by the people.

Mr. Hopkins moved to displace the bill under consideration, to be carried over until the next legislative day

Upon this motion Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Starr,
Brooke,	Gray,	Stevens,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	Kemp,	Stewart of the 34th,
Everett,	Mann,	Strother,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Thomson,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Dunwody,	Shropshire.
Battle,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th.
Culver,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Turner,	Wooten.
Cook,	Witcher,	Mr. President.

Ayes 25. Nays 13.

The motion, having received the majority was carried.

Mr. Flewellen, chairman of the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under considera-

tion the following bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that it do pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 296, which provides for the payment of pensions to Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers, when the same are now residents of this State; provided, the service of such soldier was rendered as a member of a Georgia regiment and the applicant for pension is otherwise entitled under the various pension laws.

Respectfully submitted.

E. A. FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

Mr. Blalock, chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the State Treasurer to draw on any funds in the State treasury to an amount of \$400,000, to be used in paying teachers as provided by law, and for other purposes.

The Finance Committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be recommitted to the Special Tax Committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for making tax re-

turns for all improved real estate, and making all money invested in life insurance subject to taxation.

The Committee on Finance have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be recommitted to Committee on Privileges and Elections, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for a new system of registration of voters, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the distribution of funds arising from fines and forfeitures in the county court of Wilkes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read the second time and recommitted to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish the city court of Forsyth, in the county of Monroe, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was taken from the table, to be put upon its passage.

By Mr. Kemp—

A bill to change the time of holding the superior courts in the counties of Washington, Johnson, Tatnall, Bulloch, Emanuel, Jefferson, and Screven.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by striking all the language used in section 1 from and after the end of the seventh line in said section, and insert in lieu thereof the following language, to wit: "The term of holding said court in the county of Bulloch is hereby changed from the fourth Mon-

days in April and October to the first Mondays in May and November; the time of holding the term of said court in the county of Jefferson is hereby changed from the second Mondays in May and November to the third Mondays in May and November; the time of holding the terms of said court in the county of Screven is hereby changed from the third Mondays in May and November to the fourth Mondays in May and November.

Second amendment: Strike from the caption of said bill the counties of Washington, Johnson, Tatnall, and Emanuel.

Also, by unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to incorporate the town of Thomaston, in Upson county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended. The amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by striking after the word "city" in the fourteenth line of section 16 the following words, to wit: "He shall be *ex officio* justice of the peace within the jurisdictional limits of said city."

Second amendment: Amend by adding at the end of section 21 the following words, to wit: "Provided, that noth-

ing in this section shall prevent the applicant for *certiorari* from filing the proper pauper affidavit in lieu of the payment of costs, or giving the bond as now required by law.

Third amendment: Amend by striking after the word "city" in the second line of section 22 the following words, to wit: "Shall be *ex officio* a justice of the peace, so far as to authorize him to administer oaths, attest deeds, mortgages or any other instrument which a justice of the peace is authorized by law to attest," and insert in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "is hereby authorized."

Fourth amendment: Amend by striking after the word "city" in the fifth line of section 14 the following words, to wit: "and a freeholder owning real estate within the corporate limits of the city."

Fifth amendment: Amend by striking after the word "Thomaston" in the seventh line of section 14 the following words, to wit: "and freeholders owning real estate within the corporate limits of the city."

The following resolution was read, to wit:

A resolution to adjourn until next Monday, and the time lost not to be taken out of the fifty days of the session.

Upon the adoption of this resolution Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Dunwody,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Starr,
Comas,	Mann,	Stevens,
Culver,	McFarland,	Stewart of the 27th,

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Strother,
Battle,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wilcox.
Golightly,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Witcher,
Carter,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Castleberry,	Turner,	Mr. President.
Cook,		

Ayes 12. Nays 22.

The resolution, not having received a majority, was lost.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 706, to amend an act establishing a public school system in the town of Dahlonega, approved December 17th, 1894, so as to provide for registration of voters, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.



At 12:20 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Hogan—

A bill to authorize the town council of Lincolnton to levy a tax not to exceed one-half of one per cent.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to regulate the distribution of funds arising from fines and forfeitures in the county of Wilkes.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to provide with reference to insolvent costs of solicitors, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Duffy—

A bill to prohibit the sale of seed cotton in the county of Jones.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

A resolution authorizing the messenger of the Senate to appoint a doorkeeper for the near door of the messenger's room for twenty-five days of the present session.

The following Senate bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend section 1354 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill to prevent tramps or other persons from stealing or attempting to steal a ride on railroad trains, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill regulating the license for the sale of intoxicating spirits in Appling county.

The following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Thomson—

A bill to regulate the practice in the Superior Courts in this State.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following House bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Lance—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Blairsville, in the county of Union.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Watkins—

A bill to incorporate the Cartecay and Ellijay Telephone Company

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Cornelia to issue bonds.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, in the county of Bulloch.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Demorest, in the county of Habersham.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Clarksville, and creating a new one for the same.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1642 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to provide for the compensation of the ordinary of Bulloch county for extra services, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Paulette—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham, in Decatur county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Ennis—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the city of Rome.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By unanimous consent, the following joint resolution was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Webb—

A resolution refunding to G. W. Chamblee one hundred dollars overpaid special tax for the year 1894.

This resolution involving an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Allen,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Battle,	Golightly,	Starr,
Blalock,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Strother,
Comas,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Westmoreland.
Flynt,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Castleberry,	Turner,	Wooten,
Cook,	Wilcox,	Mr. President.
Gray,		

Ayes 34. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn.

Mr. Starr moved as a substitute that the Senate adjourn until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

The longest time being put first, the Senate adjourned until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, November 26th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Senator Gray.

Prayer was offered by Rev Mr. Smith.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Hopkins moved to displace the regular order, which is Senate bill No. 2, until December 1st, immediately after the reading of the Journal, which motion was carried.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to change and fix the time of holding the Superior Courts in the counties of Bulloch, Jefferson, and Screven, which compose in part the middle judicial circuit.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to incorporate the city of Toccoa, in Habersham county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Clarkesville and Toccoa.

Also, a bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Floyd.

Also, a bill to incorporate the Cartceay and Ellijay Telephone Company.

Also, a bill to grant and cede to the United States certain rights in the county of Catoosa, to construct and maintain a public road therein.

Also, a bill to prohibit the firing of any pistol or gun on excursion trains, at picnics or other public gatherings, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to appropriate one thousand dollars to build a boiler house at the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Also, a bill to promote the establishment and efficiency of libraries in this State.

Also, a bill to establish and regulate a dispensary in the town of Bleckley, Early county.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bill, to wit:

A bill to amend an act to regulate the sale of spirituous liquors in Franklin county.

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to abolish the charter of the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county, and to establish a new charter for the same.

The Committee on the part of the House provided for in Senate resolution No. 38, providing for a committee of ten from the House and five from the Senate, to revise the tax laws of the State, are Messrs. Oliver of Burke, Calvin of Richmond, Pace of Newton, Redding of Pike, Pat-

ten of Thomas, Moore of Carroll, Edwards of Haralson, McMichael of Jasper, Reese of Floyd, Cannon of Rockdale.

The following joint resolution was read and adopted, to wit:

By Mr. Gray—

A resolution memorializing congress as to refunding of cotton tax collected in the years 1865, '66, and '67

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 644 was recommitted from the General Judiciary to Committee on Pensions.

Under regular order the following House bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person or corporation to manufacture or sell intoxicating spirits in the county of Meriwether.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to establish a city court in Forsyth, Munroe county  
By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish and maintain a dispensary in the city of Morgan, Calhoun county.



By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to repeal the present charter and create a new one for the town of Grantville, in Coweta county.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer of this State to draw his warrant on the State treasury for the amount of \$400,000 to pay teachers, as provided by law.

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to declare the third day of June of each year, commonly known as Jefferson Davis's birthday, a legal holiday.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to create a county court in the county of Ware.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to authorize the city of Waycross to issue bonds not to exceed \$50,000.00.

By Mr. Redding—

A bill to authorize the payment of pensions to Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers, where the same are now residents of this State.

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors in the county of Elbert.

By Mr. Maddox—

A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in Harris county.

By Mr. Jordan—

A bill providing for assessors and receivers of tax returns for the city of Hawkinsville.

By Mr. Chapman—

A bill to amend the 413th section of the penal Code of 1895.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend an act establishing a public school system in the town of Dahlonega.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to amend an act establishing the city court of Gwinnett county.

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Miller.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and referred back to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

House bill No. 660, to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Miller county.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following joint resolution, to wit:

A joint resolution memorializing Congress to refund cotton tax collected in 1865, 1866, and 1867

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Under regular order the following House bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to establish the city court of Clarkesville and Toccoa, in Habersham county.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to incorporate the town of Toccoa, in Habersham county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Yates—

A bill to grant and cede to the United States the right and authority to construct and maintain a public highway in Catoosa county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend an act granting the license to sell intoxicating liquors in Bulloch county.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Durham—

A bill to confirm an act incorporating the Cartersville and Gainesville Air Line Railroad Company.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hightower—

A bill to regulate a dispensary in the city of Blakeley, in Early county.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Mr. Nevin—

A bill to appropriate one thousand dollars for the purpose of building a boiler house for the protection of property at the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Collum—

A bill to amend an act to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Floyd, etc.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to fire any pistol, gun, or other firearms in an excursion train.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Knowles—

A bill to promote the establishment and efficiency of libraries in this State.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide a new system of registration of the voters of this State.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 1030 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide for the making of tax returns for all improved real estate, and for making all money invested in life insurance liable for taxation.

Upon motion of Senator Flewellen, the Senate took a recess until 11:30 o'clock.

At 10:30 o'clock the Senate was called to order by Senator Gray.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

The President ordered the roll called, to ascertain whether there was a quorum present or not. The following is the call:

Allen,	Gray,	Starr,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Strother,
Comas,	Mann,	Thomson,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Westmoreland.
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Wilcox.
Golightly,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Everett,	Turner,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Walker of the 18th.
Carter,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th.
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Witcher,
Cook,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Culver,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,		

Upon the call of the roll there was a quorum present.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of 34th district, the following House bills were read third time:

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to prohibit the trapping or killing the fish in the waters of Bibb county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to abolish the county court of Calhoun county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Messrs. Brown and Jordan—

A bill to authorize the mayor and city council of Hawkinsville to issue bonds for the purpose of building and

maintaining a system of waterworks and electric lights in said town.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Messrs. Brown and Jordan—

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of Hawkinsville to call an election for the issuing of bonds.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in Fulton county, outside of Atlanta.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following joint resolution was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution appointing a commission to investigate and report the best system to regulate the banking business in this State.



Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Thomson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Homer, in Banks county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hogan—

A bill to authorize the town council of Lincolnton to levy a tax not to exceed one-half of one per cent.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Duffy—

A bill to prohibit the sale of seed cotton in the county of Jones.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to authorize the Trustees of the Female College of Houston to sell the house and lot in Perry.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to provide with reference to insolvent costs of solicitors, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken from the table and put upon its passage:

By Mr. Leard—

A bill to abolish the dispensary law of Hart county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Wooten, Castleberry, and Wilcox to visit the convict camp in Oglethorpe county.

Also, Messrs. Sheffield, Carter, Kemp, Geiger, Cook, Mann, Dunwody, Atkinson, Turner.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn.

Mr. Thomson moved as substitute that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Stewart of 34th moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 12 o'clock.

Upon this vote Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Mann,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	McFarland,	Stewart of the 34th,
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Thomson,
Hopkins,	Starr,	Wilcox.
Kilpatrick,	Stevens,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Redwine,
Battle,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Gray,	Van Buren.
Flewellen,	Ham,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Everett,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Witcher,
Cook,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Culver,	Turner,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,		

Ayes 14. Nays 11.

The motion of Senator Stewart having received a majority was carried.

The Senate stood adjourned until Monday morning at 12 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Monday, November 29th, 12 O'clock M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Battle moved to take a recess until 12:50 o'clock, which motion was carried.

At 12:50 o'clock the Senate was called to order.

The Journal of Friday was read and confirmed.

Upon motion of Senator Turner, the session was extended until 1:15 o'clock.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following bills, to wit:

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county.

Also, a bill to provide a commutation tax in lieu of road duty in Clayton county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Powder Springs, in Cobb county.

Also, a bill to provide a system of public schools in the town of McRae, in Telfair county.

Also, a bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Smyrna, in Cobb county.

Also, a bill to authorize the town of Thomaston to issue bonds for school purposes.

The House has also adopted the following resolutions, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution inviting the Hon. L. F. Garrard to address the General Assembly on December 1st.

Also, a resolution to appoint a committee to inspect the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a resolution for the relief of Nick King.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bill:

A bill to incorporate the city of Thomaston, in Upson county.

The House has also passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Coffee county.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of Committee on Enrollment, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrollment have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives the following acts, to wit:

An act to abolish the county court of Appling county.

Also, an act to establish the city court of Baxley, in Appling county, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to abolish the city court of Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to establish the city court of Jefferson, in Jackson county, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla, in Dooly county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Wooten, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a system of public schools in Fulton county, outside of the city of Atlanta, and in the town of East Point, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. WOOTEN, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 136, to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Dunwody—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Brunswick, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. West—

A bill to abolish the city court of Lowndes county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Armstrong—

A bill to regulate the distribution of the funds arising from fines and forfeitures in the county court of Wilkes county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to make it unlawful to manufacture intoxicating spirits in the county of Meriwether.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time, to wit:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville, and for other purposes.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.



Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, November 30th, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Senator Allen.

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Everett,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Geiger,	Shropshire,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Dunwody,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Comas,	Stevens,	Walker of the 18th.

Mr. Battle, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation

that the same be recommitted to the Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Clarkesville and Toccoa in Habersham county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bill, to wit:

A bill to provide for payment of pensions to indigent soldiers for the year 1898.

The House has also passed the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution tendering the State capitol to the United Confederate Veterans' Association for conventional purposes, and appointing a committee to welcome them.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. T. B. Felder of Fulton and J. M. Pace of Newton.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am instructed to

report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 634, to authorize the city of Waycross to issue bonds to an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of establishing a sewerage system for said city, and for other purposes.

Also, House bill No. 654, to amend the charter of the city of Culloden, to define its limits, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 368, to repeal an act to create and organize a board of tax assessors and receivers for the city of Savannah.

Also, House bill 364, to repeal an act to create and organize a board of police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, House bill No. 366, to repeal an act to create and

organize a board of water commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, House bill No. 362, to repeal an act to create and organize a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Redwine, chairman of Committee on Manufacturing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufacturing have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize corporations or individuals engaged in constructing or operating electric plants by water-power for the purpose of furnishing lights to towns or cities or supplying motive power for railroads. etc.; and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct

me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to appropriate one thousand dollars to repair worn-out maps in the office of Secretary of State.

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following joint resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A joint resolution to appropriate five hundred dollars to procure a life-size portrait of Hon. Charles F. Crisp.

Also, a joint resolution appropriating eight hundred dollars for the republication of Georgia Reports.

Also, a joint resolution providing for the purchase of Georgia Form Book.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 502, to incorporate the town of Woodstock, in Cherokee county

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read the second time and recommitted to Special Judiciary from General Judiciary Committee:

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to establish a city court in Clarkesville and Toccoa, in Habersham county.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution was read and agreed to:

By Mr. Felder—

A resolution tendering the State capitol to the United Confederate Veterans' Association for conventional purposes, and appointing a committee to welcome them.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read the first time:

By Mr. Nisbet—

A bill to provide for a commutation tax in lieu of road work in any militia or road districts in the county of Clayton.

Referred to Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to authorize the city council of Thomaston, Upson county, to issue bonds.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Wilcox of Telfair—

A bill to provide for the establishment of a system of publication in the town of McRae, in Telfair county.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Powder Springs, in Cobb county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

Also, a bill to amend and supersede an act incorporating the town of Smyrna, in Cobb county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wilkes—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

The following joint resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution inviting the Hon. L. F. Garrard to address the General Assembly on Wednesday night, December 1st.

The following House bill was read the first time:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to make an appropriation for the payment of pensions to indigent soldiers for the year 1898.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend an act establishing a public school system in Dahlonega, Lumpkin county.

Upon the passage of this bill the ayes were 26; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to authorize the city of Waycross to issue bonds not to exceed \$50,000.

Upon the passage the bill the ayes were 26; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Maddox—

A bill to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors in the county of Harris.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26; nays 0.



The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute, as amended.

The amendment was as follows:

Amend Senate substitute for House bill No. 297 by striking from the fourth line of section 1 the words "the passage of this act" and substituting therefor the words "the first day of March, 1898."

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were taken up, which had adverse report from Committee:

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to repeal an act creating a board of water commissioners in the city of Savannah.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Hopkins called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Gray,	Turner,
Brinson,	Hain,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Cook,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Dunwody,	Starr,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Hopkins,	Strother,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 28. Nays 2.

The report of the committee was agreed to and the bill was lost.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a board of fire commissioners for the city of Savannah.

The report of the committee was agreed to and the bill lost.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a board of tax assessors for the city of Savannah.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill lost.

Also, bill to repeal an act creating a board of police commissioners for the city of Savannah

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

Mr. Dunwody, chairman of Committee on Military, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Military have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to

report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to increase the rank of adjutants-general in this State.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F DUNWODY, Chairman.

Under the regular order, the following Senate bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to repeal section 1010 of the Code of 1895.

Amendments were agreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was laid upon the table.

Also, a bill to alter and amend section 974 of the Code of 1895.

Amendments were agreed to

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was tabled.

Also, a bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to require judges of the superior courts to write out their charges to juries.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to change the time of holding Montgomery superior court.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend paragraph second of section 2804 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Also, a bill to amend section 2805 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to increase the rank of adjutants-general of this State.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to prohibit any person from buying or selling the right to shoot at turkeys, chickens and other domestic fowls.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Goldin called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Golightly,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Dunwody.	Thomson,
Brinson,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland.
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Hudson,	Stevens,
Comas,	Kemp,	Strother,
Gray,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Hopkins,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.

Ayes 21. Nays 11.

The bill not having received a constitutional majority was lost.

Mr. Turner gave notice that he would move to reconsider the bill just lost to-morrow morning immediately after the reading of the journal.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time :

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 1017 of Vol. I. of the Code of 1895.

Ordered engrossed.

The following communication was received from his Excellency the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following message was received from his Excellency the Governor, through his secretary Mr. Callaway:

*Mr. President:*

The Governor has approved the following acts, to wit:

An act to provide for the filing, hearing and determining of contests in elections held for the removal of county sites, etc.

An act to amend, change and repeal section four of the charter of the town of Unadilla.

An act to amend the charter of the town of Unadilla.

An act to abolish the city court of Jackson county, and to transfer all business and records to the city court of Jefferson.

An act to establish the city court of Jefferson in Jackson county, etc.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to appropriate \$1,000 to repair worn-out and mutilated county maps of this State.

By Mr. Webb—

A bill to incorporate the town of Woodstock, in Clarke county

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to establish a city court in Waycross, Ware county.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Culloden, in Monroe county.

The following joint resolution was read second time:

By Mr. Wight—

A resolution appropriating \$500 to purchase a portrait of Hon. C. F. Crisp.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution appropriating \$800 for the purpose of republishing two hundred each of Georgia reports, Vols. 84, 85, 86, 87, and for other purposes.

At 11:20 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills adversely reported from committees were taken up:

By Mr. Stewart of the 27th district—

A bill to amend and alter the acts of 1889 (page 58), section 2, relative to the trustees and officers State Lunatic Asylum.

Report of the committee agreed to and bill lost.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to provide for the reorganization of the board of trustees of the State University of Georgia, so as to elect them by the people.



Mr. Berner moved to disagree to the report of the committee, which was adverse to the passage of the bill.

Upon this motion Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Redwine,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Sheffield,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Starr,
Brooke,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Comas,	Hudson,	Turner,
Everett,	Kemp,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	McFarland,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Van Buren,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Stevens,	Wilcox,
Dunwoody,	Thomson,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Mann,	Walker of the 18th,	Mr. President.
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Ayes 26. Nays 15.

The motion, having received a majority, was carried.

The bill was read third time.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Gray,	Starr,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Turner,
Everett,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Van Buren,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Thomson,	Witcher.
Dunwody,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 25. Nays 13.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Comas withdrew Senate bill No. 106.

The privileges of the floor were extended to ex-Senator W. H. Lumpkin during his stay in the city.

Mr. Shropshire, chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Brunswick.

The Special Judiciary Committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act creating a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in Montgomery county, and for other purposes.

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted to Committee on Corporations, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to create the office of commissioner of public works in the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

The following Senate bill adversely reported was read third time:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to give to the Railroad Commission of this State, power to regulate the charges of sleeping car fare.

The report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Dunwody—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Brunswick.

The following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Calhoun—

A bill to create a Board of Commissions of Roads and Revenues for the county of Montgomery

The following House bill was read second time and re-committed from Special Judiciary Committee to Committee on Corporations.

By Messrs. Meldrim, McDonough and Duncan—

A bill to create the office of Commissioner of Public Works in city of Savannah.

The following Senate bill which was adversely reported from Committee was read third time:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to extend the powers of the Railroad Commission so as to give them authority to regulate the charges of telephone companies under certain circumstances.

Report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By unanimous consent the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide for the trial of criminal cases in county courts of this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to create a Board of Commissions of Roads and Revenues for the county of Chattooga.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle the session of the Senate was extended until the business on the Secretary's desk was disposed of.

By unanimous consent the following Senate bill was read third time and put upon its passage:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to amend an act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in Appling county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills adversely reported from committee were read third time.:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 859 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 858, volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Report of committee was agreed to and bill lost.

Mr. Golightly moved to adjourn.

Mr. Gray moved as substitute, that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock. The motion to adjourn was lost. The substitute to adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock was carried.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, December 1, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Starr,
Battle,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brooke,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Ham,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Comas,	Hudson,	Turner,
Cook,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Walker of the 40th,	Wooten,
Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,	

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following bill was reconsidered, which was lost yesterday:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to prohibit any person or persons from buying and selling the right to shoot or shoot at any turkey or chickens, or other domestic fowls.

The following joint resolution was reconsidered, which passed yesterday:

By Mr. Felder—

Tendering the State Capitol to the United Confederate Veterans' Association for conventional purposes.

Also, the following Senate bill was reconsidered which was lost on yesterday:

By Mr. Stewart of 27th District—

A bill to amend and alter the acts of 1889 (page 58), section 2, relative to the trustees of the Lunatic Asylum.

The special order was taken up which is a bill

By Mr. Hopkins—

To elect the judges and solicitors of this State by the people.

The bill being to amend the constitution the ayes and nays were called; the vote being as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Starr,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Strother,
Comas,	Kemp,	Turner,
Everett,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Mr. President.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Shropshire.	Walker of the 40th.
Dunwody,	Thomson,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Cook,	Wooten.
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Ayes 30. Nays 12.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.



The bill is as follows:

A bill to be entitled an Act to amend paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 of article 6, and paragraph 1 of section 11 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State, so as to provide for the election of judges of the Superior courts and solicitors-general by the electors of their respective judicial circuits.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same, That paragraph 2 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State be amended so that the same shall read as follows, to wit: "The successors to the present and subsequent incumbents shall be elected by the electors entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly of their respective judicial circuits at the general election held for such members next preceding the expiration of their respective terms."

Section 2. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State be amended so that said paragraph shall read as follows, to wit: "The terms of the judges to be elected under the Constitution (except to fill vacancies) shall begin on the first day of January after their election. Every vacancy occasioned by death, resignation or other causes shall be filled by appointment of the Governor until the first day of January after the general election held next after the expiration of thirty days from the time such vacancy occurs, at which election a successor for the unexpired term shall be elected."

Section 3. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That paragraph one of section eleven of article 6 of the Constitution of this State be amended so that the same shall read as follows, to wit: "There shall be a solicitor-general for each judicial circuit, whose official term (except to fill a vacancy) shall be four years. The successors of present and subsequent incumbents shall be elected by the electors of their respective judicial circuits qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly, at the general election held next preceding the expiration of their respective terms. Every vacancy occasioned by death, resignation or other cause shall be filled by appointment of the Governor until the first day of January after the general election, held next after the expiration of thirty days from the time such vacancy occurs, at which election a successor for the unexpired term shall be elected.

Section 4. Be it further enacted by authority aforesaid. That whenever the above proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be agreed to by two thirds of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the Governor shall, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cause said amendment to be published in at least two newspapers in each congressional district in the State for the period of two months next preceding the time of holding the next general election.

Section 5. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the above proposed amendment shall be submitted for ratification or rejection of the electors of this State at the next general election to be held after publication as

provided for in the fourth section of this act, in the several districts of this State, at which election every person shall be qualified to vote who is entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly. All persons voting at said election in favor of adopting the proposed amendments or either of them to the Constitution of this State shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For ratification of the amendment of paragraph 2 of section 3, article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of judges of the Superior court by the people); "For the ratification of amendment of paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of the judges of the superior court by the people); "For ratification of amendment of paragraph 1 of section eleven of article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of solicitors-general by the people). And all persons opposed to the adoption of said amendments, or either of them, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words: "Against the ratification of amendment of paragraph 2 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (against the election of judges of the superior court by the people); "Against ratification of amendment of paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (against election of judges of the superior court by the people); "Against ratification of amendment of paragraph one of section eleven of article 6 of the Constitution" (against the election of solicitors-general by the people).

Section 6. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the submission of the foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of this State to a

vote of the people, as required by the Constitution of this State in paragraph 1 of section 1 of article 13, and by this act, and if either be ratified, the Governor shall, when he ascertains such ratification from the Secretary of State, to whom the returns shall be referred in the same manner as in the case of election for members of the General Assembly, to count and ascertain the result, issue his proclamation for one insertion in one of the daily papers of this State, announcing such result and declaring the amendment or amendments ratified.

Sec. 7 Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 520, to repeal an act to create the office of Commissioner of Public Works for the city of Savannah, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to promote the establishment and efficiency of libraries in this State.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a system of public schools in the town of Culloden, and for other purposes.

The Committee on Education have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act providing that whenever there is in any portion of any county a local school system independent of the other portion, the county board of education of such county shall be selected from such portion of such county not included in such portion whose school system is independent of the other.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed

to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 4685 of the Code of 1895.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that same do pass, as amended:

A bill to make all suits involving less than \$100 in the city court of Baxley the appearance term shall be the trial term.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to fire any pistol, gun or other firearms on any excursion train, picnic or other public gathering in this State.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities to condemn lands for macadamized road purposes.

Also, a bill to provide for notice to garnishee in any of the courts of this State when his answer has been traversed.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass:

A bill regulating the administration of equitable relief

in cases when such relief may be sought as against a corporation, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill regulating the grant of extraordinary equitable relief in the courts of this State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass:

A bill to regulate the business of fraternal beneficiary orders, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to require all accusations in the county courts to be signed by the county solicitor or prosecutor, or the attorney appointed by said court as prosecutor, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to provide the manner of proving the fact of confinement in the penitentiary and chain-gangs of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

The following Senate bill was read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to prohibit the working of misdemeanor convicts for private gain in the State.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

Also, a bill to create a board of tax assessors for each and every county of the State, define their duties, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. McFarland—

A bill to prohibit the cutting or felling of trees in the watercourses of this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to define lewdness and to prescribe a punishment for violation of the same

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By Mr. Stewart (34th district)—

A bill to provide for and requiring an analysis of every article of food offered for sale for consumption within this State.

Referred to Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to provide for the examination of private banks by the bank examiner of this State.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By unanimous consent, the following joint resolution was read and adopted as amended:



By Mr. Felder—

A resolution inviting the United Confederate Veterans to use the State capitol for conventional purposes.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend, first, by striking out the word “two” from the second line of third section, and inserting in lieu thereof the word “five”; also, strike the word “one” in same line and insert the word “three.”

Committee on part of the Senate is Messrs. Gray, Hopkins and Mann.

The following House bill which had adverse report from committee was read third time.

By Messrs. Meldrin, McDonough and Duncan—

A bill to create the office of Commissioner of Public Works for the city of Savannah.

Report of Committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

The following privilege resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, that the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. W. L. Palmer during his stay in the city.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Hudson, 13th District—

A bill to enlarge the powers of the Railroad Commission of Georgia so as to require railroads to receive, receipt for and deliver cars and freight, and to prevent discrimination.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Kilpatrick called for the ays and nays, which call was sustained and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Everett,	Kilpatrick,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Starr,
Brooke,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Turner.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Culver,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th.
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Geiger,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.
Cook,	Wooten,	

Ayes 15. Nays 24.

The bill not having received the requisite constitutional majority was lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority the following bills, to wit:

A bill to amend section 221 of the Code of Georgia, 1895, volume 3.

Also, a bill to regulate the defenses to action on policies of life insurance.

Also, a resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session at 8 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, December 1, 1897

Mr. Stewart, Chairman of the joint committee of the House and Senate to visit and inspect the State Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives, appointed to visit and inspect the State Lunatic Asylum, near Milledgeville, beg to submit the following report:

The circumstances under which the visit of the committee took place were calculated to occasion great anxiety as to the possibility of the officers in immediate charge of the institution to satisfactorily cope with the sudden emergency which had confronted them in the destruction by fire of the building for colored inmates, which had taken place only a few days previously. The committee found on arrival that the trustees of the institution were present and had given their aid and counsel to Dr. Powell and his staff in providing for those inmates who had been deprived of their domicile by reason of the fire alluded to. The committee is gratified to report that while it has necessitated some congestion

of the inmates and some deprivation of their comfort, they are as well provided for as the circumstances will permit.

The committee made a careful inspection of the grounds and buildings, including sleeping apartments, kitchens, dining rooms, laundry, water-closets, and noted evidence on all sides of scrupulous attention and care in these several departments. The committee noted with especial favor the infirmary, all the rooms in which have been placed in an aseptic condition, and so arranged as to secure the most favorable results in the treatment of the sick.

The appropriation by the General Assembly for the year 1897 was \$280,000. We find that of this amount \$222,222.24 has been expended for the ten months, leaving a balance now unexpended of \$57, 777 76. The fire has caused a somewhat greater expenditure than otherwise would have been occasioned.

We have checked the purchase and cash items since July 1st. The Blalock Investigating Committee made a thorough investigation up to that time, and a member of that committee being present and having made the examination since July 1st, it was not considered necessary to go over the work of that committee. The committee examined every book and account, and found each item properly expended and vouchers for all cash paid out. The books are well kept, plain and simple, reflecting credit upon the Steward.

The committee are gratified to report that the trustees assure that the insurance upon the building which was de-

stroyed by fire and the amounts to be paid by the insurance companies will be sufficient to restore them without loss to the State.

In closing this brief report, it should be a matter of sincere congratulation to every citizen of our State that the sudden and disastrous calamity which threatened so much was successfully met by Dr. Powell and his staff without the loss of a single life.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. STEWART, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following joint resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution convening the General Assembly in joint session to hear the address of Hon. L. F. Garrard.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Dunwody—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Brunswick, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. McFarland, Chairman of Committee on Public Roads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Public Roads have had under consideration the following House bill which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for commutation tax in lieu of road work in Clayton county.

Respectfully submitted.

McFARLAND, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and referred back to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

House bill No. 651, To incorporate the city of Toccoa.

House bill No. 708, To amend the charter of Gainesville.

House bill No. 729, To amend the charter of Blairsville.

House bill No. 714, To incorporate the Carticay and Ellijay Telephone Company.

House bill No. 711, To amend the charter of the city of Demorest.

House bill No. 367, To amend the charter of Waycross.

House bill No. 536, To amend the charter of Whigman.

House bill No. 629, To incorporate the town of Donaldsonville.

House bill No. 609, To amend the charter of the town of Smyrna.

House bill No. 761, To amend the charter of Meigs.

House bill No. 620, To amend the charter of Powder Springs.

Also, the following Senate bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and referred back to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

Senate bill No. 140, to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Chattooga county.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time and recommitted to Committee on Corporations:

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Powder Springs, in Cobb county

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to incorporate the town of Toccoa, in Habersham county.

By Mr. Watkins—

A bill to incorporate the Carticay and Ellijay Telephone Company.

By Mr. Paulette—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham, in the county of Decatur.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend and supersede an act incorporating the town of Smyrna, in the county of Cobb.

By Mr. Cook—

A bill to incorporate the town of Donaldsonville, in the county of Decatur.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to authorize the county authorities of this State to condemn lands for the purpose of macadamized roads.

By Mr. Wilkes—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Meigs, in Thomas county.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to amend section 20 of the charter of the city of Waycross.



By Mr. Lance—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Blairsville, in Union county.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Demorest, in Habersham county.

By Mr. Johnson—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the city of Gainesville.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to increase the rank of the adjutant-general of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend caption after the word "adjutant-general" by inserting the words "and assistant adjutant-general."

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Culver—

A bill requiring the grand juries of this State to examine the tax returns at the fall session.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to amend section 341 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to prohibit the manufacture of spirituous liquors in the county of Hart.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Charters—

A resolution to provide for a committee, to be appointed to visit the Northeastern railroad to inspect the same.

Committee on part of Senate is Messrs. Flewellen, McFarland and Carter.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Stewart 34th District—

A bill to fix the penalty in cases of conviction of a female for a capital punishment.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Under regular order, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Chattooga.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 1017 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to make all suits involving less than \$100 in the city court of Baxley, the appearance term shall be the trial term.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend section 1354 of the Code of 1895.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Swift—

A bill to empower the County Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

By inserting after the word "revenue" in the sixth line of section 1 the words "not to exceed one-fifth of one per centum of the assessed value of the taxable property of said county."

By Mr. Redding—

A bill to authorize the payment of pensions to Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers when the same are now residing in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend by adding the words "or company" immediately after the word "regiment" whenever the last mentioned word occurs in section one and in the caption of the bill.

Under regular order the following House bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to fire pistol, gun or other firearms on excursion trains, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend section 4685 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in Culloden, Munroe county.

By Mr. Nisbet—

A bill to provide for a commutation tax in lieu of road work in any of the militia districts of Clayton county.

By Mr. Knowles—

A bill to provide and promote the establishment and efficiency of libraries in the State of Georgia.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Jordan of Pulaski—

A bill to provide for assessors and receivers of tax returns for the city of Hawkinsville.

Upon motion of Mr. Thomson, the bill was laid upon the table.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to amend section 221 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Dodson—

A bill to require the defenses to action on policies of life insurance.

Leave of absence was granted Senators Van Buren, Brinson, Walker of 18th, McFarland, Turner, Hopkins and Horn, to visit the Georgia Normal and Industrial College, at Milledgeville, Thursday next, after adjournment.

Upon motion of Senator Battle the Senate adjourned until to-night at 7.45 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,

December 1, 7:45 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, the roll-call was dispensed with.

At 8 o'clock the General Assembly went into joint session.

At 9.30 o'clock the Senate reconvened and adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Thursday, December 2d, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Flynt,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Goldin,	Strother,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Gray,	Turner,
Brooke,	Ham,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Culver,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Dunwoody,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,
Kemp,	Stevens,	Van Buren.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites

the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to provide for examination for admission to the bar.

Also, a bill to amend an act to amend section 1582 of volume 1 of the Code, which prescribes the compensation of oil inspectors.

The House has also adopted the following joint resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution appointing a special committee of six from the House and three from the Senate to investigate right of Treasurer Hardeman to certain fees.

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs Whipple of Dooly, Charters of Lumpkin, Wight of Dougherty, Hitch of Brooks, Edwards of Haralson, Dickerson of Clinch.

The House has also passed the following Senate bill by the requisite constitutional majority, as amended:

A bill to amend an act to provide for the revivor of corporations, approved November 12th, 1889.



The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bill:

A bill to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors in Harris county.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following joint resolution:

A resolution tendering the use of the State capitol to the United Confederate Veterans' Association for conventional purposes.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

Senate bill No. 123, to incorporate the town of Trion.

Senate bill No. 122, to incorporate the town of Summerville.

Also, the following Senate bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 124, to amend an act establishing a free school system in Raccoon.

Senate bill No. 125, to repeal the charter of the town of Summerville.

Senate bill No. 126, to repeal the charter of the town of Trion.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 711, to amend the charter of Demorest.

House bill No. 367, to amend the charter of Waycross.

House bill No. 761, to amend the charter of Meigs.

House bill No. 609, to amend the charter of Smyrna.

House bill No. 620, to amend the charter of Powder Springs.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found

duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of the Board of Trustees of the University of Georgia, and for their election by the people.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to increase the rank of adjutant-general and assistant adjutant-general in this State.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1030 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895, which provides that judges of Superior Courts shall give written charges on request.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to establish a dispensary for Appling county, and for other purposes.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read, to concur in House amendment:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend an act to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

House amendment was as follows:

Amend caption by adding thereto the following words:

By striking from said act and section the word "three" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten."

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to repeal an act to incorporate the town of Fairburn, and create a new one for said town.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 1017 of volume 1 of the Code of Georgia.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 29, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The bill was ordered transmitted to the House immediately.

At 10:30 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

Under regular order the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for admission to the bar of this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend section 1582 of volume 1 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

The following House resolution was read and concurred in:

By Mr. Swift—

A resolution appointing a committee of six from the House and three from the Senate to investigate the right of the late Hon. R. U. Hardeman, Treasurer of Georgia, to certain fees.

Committee on part of the Senate are Messrs. Stevens, Gray, and Battle.

Under the regular order the following Senate bill, which was reconsidered, was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to prohibit the buying or selling of the right to shoot at or shoot any turkey or chicken or other domestic fowls.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Everett,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Goldin,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Golightly,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Culver,	Redwine,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.
Ham,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Cook,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Flewellen,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Gray,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 21. Nays 14.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to incorporate the town of Summerville, and to define its limits, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 31, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows, by adding the following sections:

Section 10. Be it further enacted, That a free school for white children, and a free school for colored children, shall be established in said town of Summerville. The County School Commissioner of said county shall pay over to the officer designated by the mayor and council the gross public school fund to which said school is entitled, to be estimated by the school population of said town and the Summerville school district, which school district shall be fixed by the Board of Education of said county, not less than the school district as estimated by said board for the year 1896, and when so fixed, shall not be changed, and the said board shall not establish a free school within two miles of the court-house of said town.

Section 11. Be it further enacted, That the mayor and council of said town shall within ten days of the approval of this act call an election in said town, giving at least ten days' notice thereof in six conspicuous places in said town, to ascertain the desire of the qualified voters of said town whether free schools under this act shall be established. All persons voting at said election shall have written or printed on their ballots "For free schools," or "Against free schools," and if the question shall be decided affirmatively by the necessary majority, the council shall so declare, and all the provisions of this act relating to free schools, commencing with section 10, shall become operative, but shall not be of force if declared against free schools. If "for free schools," it shall be the duty of the mayor and council to establish free schools under the terms of this act. Should it appear that the votes cast "for free schools" are less than a constitutional majority, then each

succeeding year, commencing on the first Monday in December, 1898, an election shall be ordered under the terms of this act until the necessary majority of ballots "for free schools" shall be cast to establish the same. On failure to hold such election by order of mayor and council, or otherwise, the same may be held under the terms of this act provided for the failure to hold annual elections.

Section 12. Be it further enacted, That the mayor and council of said town shall provide by ordinance such rules and regulations as to them may seem proper for the election by them of a Board of Trustees to govern and control said schools, define their duties, and do all other acts and things necessary for the purpose of maintaining such free schools by taxation, license, tuition fees and other means which they may adopt.

Section 13. Be it further enacted, That immediately after the establishing of free schools, as in this act provided, and before the second Monday in January, 1898, the mayor and council shall elect a Board of Trustees, composed of six citizens of said town, who shall hold their office, two for one year, two for two years, and two for three years, and after the first election of trustees, those afterwards elected shall hold their office for three years, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 14. Be it further enacted, That the mayor and council shall fix the salaries of the various teachers and the time and manner in which the same shall be paid. Council shall require the treasurer to receive and pay out all school funds. They shall annually at the regular annual



meeting after election and qualification fix a sum total which may be applied to free schools during the year, and no greater sum shall be applied during said year. Said sum shall be made up as follows: A tuition fee may be fixed for children residing within said corporation, and a larger fee fixed for children living without said corporation, but in no event shall the same be more than 50c. per month for children living within said school district, which fee may be required in advance. No child shall within said school district be deprived of the benefits of the public school fund to which it may be entitled. One-half of all the license fund shall be estimated and set apart for the educational fund, and in case there is no license issued for the sale of vinous, malt, spirituous and intoxicating liquors in said town, or if council should adjudge that the school fund would not be sufficient with said license fund, together with other funds for said schools, then the mayor and council shall levy an *ad valorem* tax not to exceed 50c. on the \$100.00, to be collected as other *ad valorem* taxes may be collected under this act, and apply the same to the funds for public schools.

Section 15. Be it further enacted, That ten days before the election as provided in this act "for free schools," the recorder of said town shall be by said council furnished a suitable registration book, which shall be open ten days preceding said election, and be so kept to within two days of said election at some convenient place in said town for the registration of the qualified voters thereof. No person who fails to register shall vote in said election. Said recorder shall allow no person to register who is not a quali-

fied voter of said town under this act. If any person is disqualified on account of the recorder refusing to allow any voter to register, or on account of his allowing any voter to register who is not entitled to vote, he may appeal to council, and it shall be the duty of the council to pass upon same before the date of election. It shall be the duty of the recorder to furnish to the managers of the election a list of the registered voters before the opening of the polls on the day of election.

Section 16. Be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to incorporate the town of Trion, in the county of Chattooga, and for other purposes.

On the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows, by adding the following sections:

Section 12. Be it further enacted, That ten days before the election as provided in this act "for free schools," the recorder of said town shall be by said council furnished a suitable registration book, which shall be open ten days preceding said election, and be so kept to within two days of said election at some convenient place in said town for the registration of the qualified voters thereof. No per-

son who fails to register shall vote in said election. Said recorder shall allow no person to register who is not a qualified voter of said town under this act. If any person is disqualified on account of the recorder refusing to allow any voter to register, or on account of his allowing any person to register who is not entitled to vote, he may appeal to council, and it shall be the duty of council to pass upon the same before the date of election. It shall be the duty of the recorder to furnish the managers of election a list of the registered voters before the opening of the polls on the day of election.

Section 13. Be it further enacted, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Raccoon.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Trion, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend section 1354 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following House resolution was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A joint resolution to subscribe for and purchase copies of a book of Georgia Forms and Practice.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, Mr. Atkinson called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Mann,	Turner,
Cook,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,	Wooten.
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Carter,	Geiger.
Brooke,	Castleberry,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Gray,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
Ham,	Stevens,	

Ayes 31. Nays 5.

The report having received the requisite constitutional majority, was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the resolution, it being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Mann,	Turner,
Cook,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wilcox.
Flewellen,	Starr,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,	Wooten,
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—  
Blalock, Carter, Geiger,  
Brooke, Castleberry,

Those not voting were Messrs.—  
Comas, Kemp, Van Buren.  
Gray, Kilpatrick, Mr. President.  
Ham, Stevens,  
Ayes 31. Nays 5.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Atkinson, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend caption of act approved September 5th, 1879, by adding to the caption of act.

The Committee on Temperance have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be recommitted to Special Judiciary Committee:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro so as to empower the mayor and council of said town to fix license for sale of liquors in said town, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

ATKINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 629, to incorporate the town of Donaldsonville.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of Brunswick.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Thomasville, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Cornelia to issue bonds.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Floyd.

Also, a bill to provide the compensation of ordinary of Bulloch county.

The committee also recommends that the following Senate bill do pass as amended:

A bill to prevent the felling or cutting of trees in streams or watercourses of this State.

The committee also recommends that the following Senate bill do not pass:

A bill to limit the amount of compensation to be paid the ordinary and other county officers in counties having a city of sixty thousand inhabitants, etc.

The committee recommends that the following Senate bills be read second time and recommitted to General Judiciary Committee:

A bill to make it the duty of grand juries to examine the tax returns of their respective counties at their fall sessions.



Also, a bill to create a Board of Assessors for each and every county in this State.

The committee also recommends that the following House bills pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Newton, in Baker county, and for other purposes.

The committee also recommends that the following House bill be read second time and be recommitted, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Monroe county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Also, a bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Clarkesville, in Habersham county, and to incorporate the city of Clarkesville.

Also, a bill to protect bicycle ways in the county of Wilkes.

Also, a bill to grant and cede to the United States the right and authority to construct and maintain a public highway in Catoosa county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Rockmart, in Polk county.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read second time and recommitted to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to provide for examination of private banks by the State bank examiner, and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate resolution was read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution authorizing the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Company to acquire certain rights in and to use of the W & A. Railroad in and near the city of Marietta.

Referred to Special Committee on W & A. R. R.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill requiring guarantee companies, surety companies, and fidelity companies to sign bonds of security to make certain deposits with the State Treasurer.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By Mr. Walker of the 18th district—

A bill to amend an act allowing and making women eligible to the office of County School Commissioner, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

Mr. Hudson, Chairman of Committee on Agriculture, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consid-

eration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 138, by Mr. Brown of Pulaski.

House bill No. 340, by Mr. McGehee of Harris.

The Committee have also had under consideration House bill No. 450, by Mr. Berry of Whitfield, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that same do pass as amended.

Respectfully submitted.

HUDSON, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to repeal the present charter and create a new one for the town of Grantville, in Coweta county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin of Richmond—

A bill to allow women physicians to stand a competitive examination to be admitted to the State Lunatic Asylum.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 30, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Johnson—

A bill to authorize corporations or individuals actively engaged in construction or owning or operating or preparing to construct any plant or works for generating electricity in this State certain privileges.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 31, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, passed by substitute.

The bill was ordered immediately transmitted to the House.

By unanimous consent, the following House resolution was read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Mansfield—

A resolution for the relief of Nick King.

Referred to Committee on Blind Asylum.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time, which had adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Report of committee was disagreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Shropshire, the bill was laid upon the table.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to make all suits involving less than \$100.00 in the city court of Baxley, the appearance term shall be the trial term.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 29, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

By prefixing the following caption: A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the practice in the city court of Baxley, so as to make the appearance term the trial term of suits in which the amount involved does not exceed one hundred dollars.

Also, amend by adding the word "term" after the word "appearance" and before the word "shall," in the seventh line of first section.

The following Senate bill was read the first time:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Thomas.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

Upon motion of Mr. Brooke, the session was extended until 1:30 o'clock.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to authorize any State bank now existing under the laws of this State to make, sell and deliver obligations of said bank, payable in merchandise or silver bullion at retail, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Nisbet—

A bill to provide for commutation tax in lieu of road work in the militia districts of Clayton county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to authorize the county authorities of this State in all cases when it shall become necessary to condemn land for road purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 29, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The amendments were as follows:

By striking therefrom the whole of section 3, and changing the number of last section from 4 to 3.

By Mr. Webb—

A bill to incorporate the town of Woodstock, in the county of Cherokee.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to authorize county, city, and town Boards of Education of this State to provide books for the use of same, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Education..

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. Culver—

A bill requiring the grand juries of this State to examine the tax returns of their county.

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to create a board of tax assessors for each county in this State, and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Boynton of Calhoun—

A bill to establish a dispensary in Morgan, Calhoun county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following privilege resolution was read and adopted:

Inviting the Hon. W. E. Mann of Catoosa county to a seat on the floor of the Senate during his stay in the city.

By Mr. Jordan—

A bill to provide for a board of assessors and receivers of tax returns for the city of Hawkinsville.

On the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Senators Van Buren and Kilpatrick on account of sickness.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.



Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, December 3d, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following bills:

A bill requiring the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Hancock county to pay certain insolvent criminal costs.

Also, a bill to amend section 2191 of the Code of 1895, relating to the publication of railroad schedules of rates by Railroad Commissioners.

Also, a bill to amend section 1912 of volume 2 of the Code of 1895, relating to banks.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Washington county.

Also, a bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads, Public Property, and Finance for Monroe county.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution providing for the furnishing by the State Librarian of certain books for McIntosh county

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill to authorize the payment of pensions to Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers.

Also, a bill to authorize and empower the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Elbert county to borrow money.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

***Mr. President:***

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to require all indemnity and surety companies to deposit with the Secretary of State certain bonds.

Also, a bill to authorize State banks to issue obligations payable in merchandise or silver bullion.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted:

A bill to regulate defenses of actions on policies of life insurance.

The committee also instruct me to report back to the Senate the following Senate bills, with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to permit arresting officers to carry concealed weapons.

Also, a bill to fix the penalty in cases of conviction of a female for a capital offense.

Also, a bill to make women eligible to the offices of County School Commissioner and Clerk of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues.

Also, a bill to provide for trial of criminal cases in county courts, and the transfer of cases from Superior Courts to county courts.

The committee also instruct me to report back to the Senate the following House bill, with the recommendation that same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 221 of the third volume of Code of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Flewellen, Chairman of the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under consideration House bill No. 644, which provides for amending section 1642 of the Code of 1895, and I am directed to report back the same with the recommendation that it do pass.

FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to amend section 1017 of volume 1 of Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend the constitution of the State so as to provide for election of judges and solicitors by the people.

Also, a bill to repeal the charter of the town of Summerville.

Also, a bill to repeal the charter of the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to amend section 2805 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to make the appearance term the trial term

in all cases involving less than \$100.00 in city court of Baxley.

Also, a bill to amend section 1354 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend the public school system of the town of Raccoon, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to amend paragraph 2 of section 2804 of the Code of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Felder—

To amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

By adding thereto a section to be known as section 14.

Section 14. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the mayor and general council of the city of Atlanta are hereby authorized in their discretion to issue bonds of said city to the amount of \$200,000.00, to run not exceeding thirty years, and bearing interest at not exceeding

four per centum, principal and interest on which bonds shall be payable in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard of weight and fineness or its equivalent. The interest to be evidenced by coupons, and to be paid semi-annually, the proceeds of which bonds shall be devoted exclusively to the laying and extending of water mains within the city of Atlanta, provided the qualified voters of said city assent by the requisite two-thirds majority to the issue of such bonds at an election to be held at any time in the years 1897 or 1898, when called by the mayor and general council of the city of Atlanta, in accordance with the general laws of the State regulating the issue of county and municipal bonds; provided further, that a special registration of the qualified voters of said city shall be made for the bond election herein provided for.

Second amendment: Amend by striking the word "two," in line 29, section 9, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

Third amendment. By adding thereto a section to be known as section 15, as follows:

Section 15. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the mayor and general council of the city of Atlanta are authorized to prescribe by ordinance reasonable charges to be collected by hacks, cabs, drays, or other licensed vehicles for the transportation of persons, baggage, merchandise, or other personal property within the limits of the city of Atlanta.

Fourth amendment: Further amend said bill by renumbering the last section thereof, changing from section "14" to section "15."

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 154, to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Thomas so as to elect said commissioners by the qualified voters.

Also, House bill —, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

Also, House bill No. 536, to amend the charter of the town of Whigham, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th district, Chairman of the Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the fol-

lowing Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back with a recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to provide for the examination of private banks by the State bank examiner, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to provide for the establishment of a system of public schools for the town of McRae, in Telfair county

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Mr. Atkinson, Chairman of Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:



A bill to establish a dispensary in Blakely, Early county, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

ATKINSON, Chairman.

Under regular order the following House resolution was read first time:

By Mr. Mansfield—

A resolution ordering the State Librarian to furnish to the ordinary of McIntosh county certain books.

Salary

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to amend section 1912 of volume 2 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Whipple—

A bill to amend section 2191 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Burwell—

A bill to require the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Hancock county to pay insolvent costs to certain county officers, and for other purposes.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Rawlings of Washington—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Washington.

Referred to Special Judiciary Committee.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to authorize the State banks of this State to make, sell, and deliver obligations of said bank payable in merchandise or silver bullion, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to require all guarantee companies, surety companies, and insurance companies to deposit with the State Treasurer certain bonds.

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Thomas.

By unanimous consent, Senate bills Nos. 88 and 90 were withdrawn by Mr. Battle.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 139 was withdrawn by Mr. Wooten.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 149 was withdrawn by Mr. Stewart of 34th district.

The following Senate bills were read third time, which had adverse report from committee.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to limit the compensation of county officers in counties of more than 60,000 inhabitants in this State.

Report of committee was agreed to, and bill was lost.

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to amend section 341 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Mann,	Stewart of the 27th,
Geiger,	McFarland,	Stewart of the 34th,
Golightly,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Gray,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Hopkins,	Starr,	Witcher.
Hudson,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Castleberry,	Goldin,
Atkinson,	Comas,	Kemp,
Blalock,	Everett,	Shropshire,
Brooke,	Flewellen,	Strother,
Carter,	Flynt,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Stevens,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Thomson,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Turner,	Mr. President.
Ham,		

Ayes 16. Nays 15.

Report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Walker of 18th district—

A bill making women eligible to the office of County School Commissioner and other offices in this State.

The report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

The following Senate bill was read third time, with favorable report from committee, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to provide for examination of private banks by the State bank examiner, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow hotel keepers or proprietors of hotels in the town of Salt Springs to furnish to their guests only wines and spirits.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table to adopt the amendments on same:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Amendments were adopted and bill was tabled.

Under regular order the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Hightower—

A bill to establish, maintain and regulate a dispensary in Blakely, Early county.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1642 of the Code of 1895 of volume 1.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, in the county of Bulloch.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Clarkesville, in Habersham county, and to create a new one for the same.

By Mr. Berry—

A bill to amend an act so as to revise and consolidate the laws governing the inspection of fertilizers.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the town of McRae, in the county of Telfair.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to provide for the compensation of the ordinary of Bulloch county.

By Mr. Yates—

A bill to grant and cede to the United States the right and authority to construct and maintain a public highway in Catoosa county.

By Mr. Wright—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Rockmart.

By Mr. Collum—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Floyd.

By Messrs. Armstrong and Callaway—

A bill to protect bicycle ways in the county of Wilkes.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of Cornelia to issue bonds, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Johnson of Baker—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Newton, in Baker county.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend an act granting license to sell intoxicating liquors in the county of Bulloch.

By Mr. Dodson—

A bill to regulate the defense to actions on policies of life insurance.

By Messrs. Rutherford and Worsham—

A bill to abolish the city court of Monroe county.

Under regular order the following House bills were read third time, which had adverse reports from committee:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to regulate the business of fraternal beneficiary orders of this State.

The report of the committee was agreed to, and bill was lost.

By Mr. Brown—

A bill to regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers in this State

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. McGehee—

A bill to amend an act governing the inspection and sale of chemical fertilizers in this State.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to provide the manner of proving the fact of confinement in the penitentiary and chaingangs of this State.

Report of committee was agreed to and the bill was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to require justices of the peace and notaries public, and *ex-officio* justices of the peace of the several counties of this State to meet at county sites to fix the time of holding their courts, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was reintroduced, which was withdrawn this morning:

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide for the trial of criminal cases in county courts of this State.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following House bill, which was adversely reported from committee, was read second time:

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to amend section 221 of the third volume of the Code of 1895.

Upon motion of Mr. Strother, the bill was recommitted to the General Judiciary Committee.



By Mr. Reid—

A bill to authorize the judges of the Superior Courts and city courts of this State to issue attachments without requiring bond.

The report of the committee was agreed to and the bill was lost.

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to require all accusations in the county courts to be signed by the county solicitor or prosecutor, and for other purposes.

Report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Special Judiciary have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and be recommitted to Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to repeal the charter of the town of Fairburn, and enact a new one for said town.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 140, to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Chattooga, and to define their powers and duties.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following House bill was read first time:

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads, Public Property and Finances for the county of Monroe.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The following Senate bill was read second time.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to repeal the charter of the town of Fairburn, in the county of Campbell, and create a new one for same.

The following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Chattooga.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart of 34th district, the time of adjournment was extended until the business on the Secretary's desk was disposed of.

The following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend and supersede an act incorporating the town of Smyrna, in Cobb county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following joint resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Kemp—

Inviting the Hon. T. E. Watson to address the General Assembly at 8 o'clock p. m. on the 6th inst., on the subject of Finance.

The resolution was ordered to be transmitted to the House immediately.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to authorize the city council of Thomaston to issue bonds for school purposes.

The committee also recommend that the following bill do pass as amended:

A bill to establish a local school system of Putnam county.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

The following House bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Powder Springs, in Cobb county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Hopkins moved to adjourn.

Mr. Dumwody moved as substitute that when the Senate did adjourn that it adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Upon motion to adjourn until Monday, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Dunwody,	Stewart of the 27th,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Mann,
Battle,	Gray,	Sheffield,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Shropshire,
Flynt,	Kemp,	Strother

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Turner,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,		

Ayes 19. Nays 12.

The motion, having received the majority, was carried.

The following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to establish a city court in Waycross, in Ware county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

1. By striking from tenth line, section 2, "receive," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "recover."

2. By inserting the words "and dispose of" after "issue" in 31st line of section 5.

3. By inserting the word "court" after the word "city," in line 21, section 6.

4. By striking the words "ex officio," in line 19 of section 7

5. By striking out "fracted," in first line, section 30, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "further."

6. By inserting the word "grand" before "jury," in 34th line, section 30.

7 By striking out the word "juries" in second line of section 37, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "jurors."

8. By inserting the word "laws" after "of" in second line, section 45.

By Mr. Cook—

A bill to incorporate and establish and maintain a dispensary in the town of Donaldsonville, in the county of Decatur, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Hopkins moved to reconsider the vote taken to adjourn until Monday at 10 o'clock.

The motion was lost.

By Mr. Paulette—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham, in the county of Decatur.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by striking after the word "liquors," in the eighth line of the caption of the bill, the following words, to wit: "cigarettes, etc."

Second amendment: Amend by striking after the word "whatever," in the ninth line of section 14, the following words, to wit: "and also the sale of cigarettes, cigarette tobacco, and cigarette paper."

By Messrs. Rutherford and Worsham—

A bill to establish a system of public schools for the town of Culloden, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Geiger, Chairman of the Committee on the Academy for the Blind, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on the Academy for the Blind have had under consideration House resolution No. 181, for relief of Nick King, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass.

The following House bills were read second time, to wit:

By Mr. Jenkins—

A bill to establish and maintain a local public school system in the county of Putnam.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to authorize the city council of Thomaston, in Upson county, to issue and sell bonds.

The following House bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to pay jurors from the county treasury in actions in which the county is interested.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.



The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Atkinson moved to adjourn, and the motion was lost.

By Mr. Pearce—

A bill to provide for the procurement of a complete roster by companies of all the troops furnished by this State in the late civil war.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to appropriate \$1,000.00 to repair mutilated maps for counties of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill, being to appropriate money, the roll was called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th.
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Geiger,	Shropshire.	Witcher,
Goldin.	Stevens,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Turner,
Carter,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
Culver,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 27    Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready for transmission to the House the following bills, to wit:

A bill to incorporate the town of Summerville, in Chattooga county

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Trion in Chattooga county

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Leave of absence was granted Senator Atkinson for a few days on important business.

Also, Senator Walker of 40th district, for Monday, on important business.

Also, Mr. Flynt Gargett, messenger, for Monday and Tuesday, on important business.

Mr. Dunwody moved to adjourn, and upon the motion called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	McFarland,	Strother,
Comas,	Redwine,	Thomson,
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Stevens,	Wilcox,
Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,	Witcher.
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Wooten.
Golightly,	Mann,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Turner,
Carter,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
Culver,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 16. Nays 11.

The motion, having received the majority, was carried, so the Senate stood adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Ga.,  
Monday, December 6th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Senator Gray, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill releasing and granting to Columbus Power Company all the right and title which the State of Georgia may have to the bed of the Chattahoochee river between the north line of fractional lot number 88 and the south line of number 89 in 8th district, Muscogee county

Also, a bill to amend an act creating the city court of Macon.

Also, a bill to appropriate five thousand seven hundred and eighty-one dollars and ten cents to reimburse the treasurer of this State for money advanced to pay the mileage of the extra session of the legislature.

Also, a bill to authorize a judicial sale of the franchises of insolvent private corporations.

Also, a bill to amend section 2350 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend an act to create a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Also, a bill to repeal section 8 of an act amending the charter of the town of Jesup, approved December 26, 1888.

Also, an act to amend an act incorporating the town of Woodbury, in Meriwether.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of St. Marks.

Also, a bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Taylor.

Also, a bill to amend the county court laws, to abolish the county court of Taylor county.

Also, a bill to prohibit butchering of any cattle, sheep or hogs in Liberty county.

Also, a bill to provide for a system of working the public roads in Bryan county.

Also, a bill to appropriate four thousand nine hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-three cents to reimburse the treasurer for money advanced to defray the expenses of the Legislative Committee to investigate charges against Judges Sweat and Reese.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$3,400 for the purpose of erecting necessary fire walls and water cisterns for the lunatic asylum.

Also, a bill to appropriate \$320 to the School Book Commission.

Also, a bill to require the State Memorial Board to make an investigation of the Confederate cemeteries in this State.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Cusseta.

Also, a bill to change the corporate limits of Oakland city.

Also, a bill to repeal an act authorizing the town of Perry to issue bonds.

The House also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution authorizing the Governor to grant his warrant for \$205.88 in favor of H. W. Thomas.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill authorizing corporations or individuals engaged in constructing plants for generating electricity, to purchase, lease or condemn rights of way or other easements necessary for such purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities in this State to condemn lands for macadamizing public roads.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Douglas, in Coffee county

Mr. Brooke, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to provide for the examining of private banks by the examiner of State banks.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. BROOKE, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, Senate bill No. 147 was reconsidered, which was lost on Friday; the bill was tabled.

Under regular order, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in the county of Tatnall.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Walker of 18th—

A bill to define the duties and to fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

Under regular order, the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Little—

A bill releasing and granting the Columbus Power Company certain privileges.

Referred to Committee on Public Property

By Mr. Little—

A bill to authorize a judicial sale of the franchise of insolvent private corporations.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to amend the act creating the city court of Macon, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate \$5,781.06 to pay the expenses of the extra session of the legislature.

Referred to Committee on Finance.



By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend section 2350 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Nichols—

A bill to repeal section 8 of the charter of the town of Jesup, approved December 26, 1888.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to incorporate the town of St. Marks, in the county of Meriwether.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Monfort—

A bill to amend the county court laws of Taylor county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Woodbury, in the county of Meriwether—

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Duncan of Chatham—

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to create and organize a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Awtry—

A bill to require the State Memorial Board to make an investigation of the condition of the different Confederate cemeteries of this State.

Referred to Committee on Military

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate \$320 to the School Book Commission.

Referred to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to appropriate \$4,917 43 to pay the expenses of the investigation of Judges Reese and Sweat.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Morgan—

A bill to provide for a system of working the public roads of the county of Bryan.

Referred to Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Cusseta, in Chattahoochee county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to appropriate \$3,400 to be used in erecting necessary fire walls at the lunatic asylum.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to change the corporate limits of the city of Oakland.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Law—

A bill to prohibit the butchering of any cattle, sheep or hogs in the county of Liberty, under certain circumstances.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Duncan of Houston—

A bill to authorize the mayor and council of the town of Perry to issue bonds to the amount of \$5,000.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Montfort—

A bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Taylor.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Also, a resolution authorizing the Governor to draw his warrant for \$205 in favor of W. H. Thomas.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution, to wit:

A resolution, inviting the Hon. T. E. Watson to address the General Assembly on Monday night, at 8 o'clock p. m., on the subject of Finance.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have had under consideration the following bill which they direct me to report as regularly and correctly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, to wit:

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Chattooga.

Respectfully submitted.

G. P. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of the Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill which they instruct me

to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass.

A bill to incorporate the town of Fairburn.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to amend section 815 of the Code of Georgia.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1642 of the Code of 1895 of volume 1.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to draw from any amount in the Treasury the sum of \$400,000 to pay teachers, as provided by law.

Upon the passage of the bill, this being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Culver,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Sheffield,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Flewellen,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	McFarland,	Westmoreland.
Comas,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,		

Ayes 27    Nays 1.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Hill—

A bill to amend section 428 of the third volume of the Code of 1895.

On the passage of the bill, Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Sheffield,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Gray,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Comas,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Mann,	Witcher,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Battle,	Starr,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Stevens,	Wilcox,
Ham,	Walker of the 18th.	Mr. President.
McFarland,		

Ayes 34. Nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Fairburn and create a new one for the same.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend an act to create a board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Thomas.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

The following Senate bill was read third time, to wit:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to require guarantee companies, surety companies, and fidelity companies to deposit with the State Treasurer certain bonds.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the bill was laid upon the table.

The following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. McFarland—

A bill to prevent the cutting or felling of trees on any of the streams or watercourses of this State.

An invitation was accepted inviting the General Assembly to an entertainment at the "Columbia Theater" on Friday night, December 10.

Leave of absence was granted Senator Blalock for tomorrow, on important business.

Leave was also granted the committee to visit the Blind Asylum immediately after adjournment to-day.



Leave of absence was also granted Senator Walker of the 18th, for to-morrow, on important business.

Leave of absence was also granted Senator Flewellen for to-morrow, on important business.

Leave was also granted to Senator Stewart of 34th district, until Wednesday noon, on important business.

The following House bill was read second time:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for notice to the garnishee in any of the courts of this State when his answer has been traversed.

The following Senate bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to authorize any State banks now existing under the laws of Georgia to make, sell and deliver obligations of said bank payable in merchandise or silver bullion, and for other purposes.

The hour of adjournment having arrived while discussion of the bill was in progress, the Senate stood adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, December 7th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Atkinson, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to allow hotel keepers, or proprietors of hotels, in the town of Salt Springs, Georgia, to sell or furnish wines or spirituous liquors to the guests of such hotels, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

ATKINSON, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills:

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Clarke county.

Also, a bill to amend an act providing for a system of sewerage for the city of Waycross.

Also, a bill to abolish the city court of Carroll county.

Also, a bill to abolish the city court of Spalding county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the superior courts of Charlton and Clinch counties.

Also, a bill to amend an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to reincorporate the city of Winder.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

Also, a bill to pay jurors and bailiffs of Charlton county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to abolish the county court of Clinch county.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a county court of Dougherty and Lee county.

Also, a bill to amend section 3 of an act organizing a Board of County Commissioners of Twiggs county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act providing for the compensation of the Ordinary of Twiggs county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the fall term of Colquitt county.

Also, a bill to provide for a better regulation for the collection of taxes for road purposes in Lee county

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools for the town of Austell.

Also, a bill to extend the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Chatham county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act to require Dougherty county to pay the officers certain costs.

Also, a bill to refund D. B. Leonard certain overpaid taxes.

Also, a bill to regulate the catching of fish in Tallulah river.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Pike superior court.

Also, a bill for the protection of fish in the streams of Lee county

Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Dougherty county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act creating a Board of County Commissioners for Habersham county

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution to appoint a committee to secure an exhibit of the products of Georgia at the Trans-Mississippi and Industrial Exposition, at Omaha, Neb.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following bills, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Waycross, in Ware county.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills, by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to change the time of holding the superior court of Appling county.

Also, a bill to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors in the county of Terrell.

Also, a bill to quiet the titles of lands in Camden county.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee has had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am instructed to report that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to define the duties and fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county.

Also, Senate bill No. 158, which I am instructed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in Tatnall county.

Also, House bill No. 508, which I am instructed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Guyton, Ga.

Also, House bills, as follows, which I am instructed to report that the same do pass, as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to create a Board of Commissioners for Washington county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to fix the salary of the Commissioner of Irwin county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend the act creating the city court of Macon, fixing the salary of the judge of said court, and providing regular and special terms of said court.

Also, the following House bills, which I am instructed to report back and be read second time and recommitted to Special Judiciary Committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Cusseta, Chattahoochee county.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to create a Board of Commissioners for Monroe county

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Flewollen, Chairman of Committee on Pensions, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under consideration House bill No. 233, which provides for the creation of a Board of Pension Commissioners for each county, and I am directed to report it back, with the recommendation that it do pass, by substitute.

Respectfully submitted.

FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

The unfinished business, which was Senate bill No. 153, was taken up.

Upon motion of Mr. Berner, the bill was tabled.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

Resolved, that a committee of three, to be known as the Steering Committee, shall be appointed by the President, whose duty it shall be to examine into the various matters on the secretary's desk, and arrange the order of business, and the order of such bills and resolutions for passage, as may be on the secretary's desk.

Resolved further, that said committee be authorized to confer with the like committee on the part of the House, looking to the advancement on the House calendar of such Senate measures as have passed this body, and are now pending in the House.

Committee consists of Messrs. Battle, Gray and Hopkins.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to regulate the payment of fees to attorneys and receivers in cases where petition for injunction and receiver is filed in this State, and a receiver is appointed, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Flewellen, Chairman joint committee—

A bill to provide for the correct return of property of this State for taxes.

Referred to Committee on Special Tax.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to require the county of Coffee to pay the officers of the court certain costs.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

Under the regular order of business, the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Duncan of Lee

A bill to protect fish in the streams of Lee county

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary



By Mr. Dickerson of Clinch—

A bill to repeal an act to abolish the county court of Clinch county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to abolish the county court of Dougherty county.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By unanimous consent the following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to require all guarantee companies, surety companies, and fidelity companies to deposit with the State treasurer certain bonds.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended, and the amendments were as follows:

Amend by adding at end of section one the following: Except that the deposit of bonds as herein required, shall be \$25,000, and not \$50,000, as required under said act approved December 24th, 1896.

4th. Amend caption of said bill by striking from the third line of said caption after the word "companies" and before the word "guaranteeing" the words "signing bonds as surety or."

1st. Amend section 1st by striking from the 5th line of said section after the word "in" and before the word "guaranteeing" the words "signing bonds."

The following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Redding—

A bill to change the time of holding Pike superior court.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to abolish the city court of Carroll county.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to authorize the establishment and maintenance of a system of water-works in Waycross.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to repeal an act to require Dougherty county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomas of Clarke—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Clarke.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to repeal an act establishing a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Habersham.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to amend section 3 of an act organizing a Board of County Commissioners of Twiggs county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Henderson of Colquitt—

A bill to change the time of holding the fall term of Colquitt superior court.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

Resolved, that during the remainder of the session all Senate bills and resolutions passed shall be immediately transmitted to the House, unless there is notice to reconsider.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am instructed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 660, to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Miller county.

House bill No. 776, to incorporate the town of St. Marks.

House bill No. 730, to amend the charter of the town of Perry.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back, with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to Committee on Corporations, to wit:

House bill No. 807, to amend the charter of the town of Jesup.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By Mr. Duncan of Lee—

A bill to alter and amend an act establishing the county courts of Dougherty and Lee, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Duncan of Lee—

A bill to provide a better regulation in the collecting of taxes for road purposes in Lee county.

Referred to Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. Gowen—

A bill to provide for payment of jurors' and bailiffs' mileage of the county of Charlton.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to extend for sanitary and drainage purposes the jurisdiction of the commissioners of the county of Chatham.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to regulate the catching or taking of fish in Talulah river, and all its tributaries.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Felker—

A bill to reincorporate the city of Winder, in the county of Walton.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to amend an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Austell, in the county of Cobb.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to provide for the compensation of the ordinary of Twiggs county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Boynton of Spalding—

A bill to abolish the city court of Spalding county

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Dickerson—

A bill to change the time of holding the superior courts in the counties of Chatham and Clinch.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

Also, the following House resolutions were read first time:

By Mr. Whipple—

A resolution to refund the amounts of taxes received by the State from D. B. Leonard, for the purchase of certain lands in the county of Dooly.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution appointing a committee of fifteen citizens to secure an exhibit of the products of the State at the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, to be held in Omaha, Neb., in 1898.

Referred to Committee on State of the Republic.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and direct me to report as duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to amend the act creating the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Thomas.

Also, a bill to be entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Fairburn.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

The Senate concurred in House substitute to the following Senate bill:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill to change the time of holding Appling county superior court.

The following House bill was read third time, and tabled:

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Clarksville, and to create a new one for the same.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Fort Valley.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Cook of Chattahoochee—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Cusseta, in Chattahoochee county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The following bill was recommitted to Corporations Committee:

By Mr. Nicholas—

A bill to repeal section 8 of the acts of the General Assembly of 1888, amending the charter of the town of Jesup.

The following bill was read second time, and recommitted to Special Judiciary Committee:

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of public property and finance for the county of Monroe.



By Mr. Duncan of Houston—

A bill to authorize the mayor and town council of Perry to issue bonds to the amount of \$5,000.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to incorporate the town of St. Marks, in the county of Meriwether.

By Mr. Rawlings of Washington—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Washington.

By Mr. Henderson of Irwin—

A bill to fix the salary of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Irwin.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to amend an act creating the city court in Macon, approved August 14th, 1885.

Also, the following resolution:

By Mr. Mansfield—

A resolution for the relief of Nick King.

Under regular order of business, the following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in the county of Tatnall.

By Mr. Walker—

A bill to define the duties and fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow hotel keepers or proprietors of hotels in the town of Salt Springs, Georgia, to sell or furnish wines, liquors and spirits to their guests only.

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution granting the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Company certain rights and powers.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn, and upon the motion, called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Thomson,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Witcher.
Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Sheffield,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Turner,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Flewellen,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Strother.
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Shropshire,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Ayes 8    Nays 18.

The motion was lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following House bills:

A bill to establish a city court for the city of Carrollton.

Also, a bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Glynn county to levy a special tax for public schools of said county.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, and to provide for a dispensary.

Mr. Atkinson moved to read House bills third time, to be put upon their passage.

On the motion, there was not a quorum voting. The chair ordered the roll-call for the purpose of finding if there was a quorum present; the following is the call:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Ham,	Turner,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Cook,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Culver,	Shropshire,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Starr,	Walker of the 18th.
Flewellen,		

Ayes 28    Nays 0.

There was a quorum present.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn. The motion was lost.

Mr. Atkinson's motion was carried.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 769, to amend the charter of the town of Woodbury.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following House bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Bennett—

A bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Glynn county to levy a special tax.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, Ga., and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Temperance.

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to establish a city court in the city of Carrollton.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following Senate bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to amend section 2388 of the Civil Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, Senator Atkinson withdrew Senate bill No. 65.

The following House bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Jenkins—

A bill to establish and maintain a local public school system in the county of Putnam.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended, and the amendments were as follows:

Amend section 6 by striking the figures "1897" from the 30th, 34th and 35th lines of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the figures "1898."

Amendment No. 2:

Amend section 11 by striking the first twenty-eight lines from said section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following words, to wit: Be it further enacted, That this act shall be submitted to an election for approval or disapproval by the qualified voters of Putnam county, residing without the corporate limits of the city of Eatonton, on any day fixed by the ordinary of said county of Putnam, in compliance with the recommendation of two successive grand juries and a petition of fifty free-holders who reside outside the limits of Eatonton; provided, that fifty days' public notice of such election shall first be given in the newspaper in which sheriff's advertisements are published, and by posting such notice at the court-house door for the same length of time. The ordinary of Putnam county is hereby authorized and required to cause said election to be held throughout the said county of Putnam, outside the limits of Eatonton, on the day fixed, as above provided for, and cause the same to be held in the manner set forth in this act. Those voters favoring public schools and this act shall have written or printed (?)

The following House bill was read second time:

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Woodbury, in the county of Meriwether.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomas of Ware—

A bill to repeal the county court of Ware county.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution was read first time:

By Mr. Wilcox—

A resolution providing that the State convicts be turned over to Senator Wilcox, and by him carried to Cuba, there to engage in the struggle for human liberty and the independence of the ever faithful isle.

Referred to Committee on State of the Republic.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Starr.

Also, Senator Battle from yesterday's session.

Also, Mr. Kilpatrick, on account of sickness.

Upon motion of Mr. Stevens, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, December 8th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Flynt,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Battle,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Ham,	Turner,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Kilpatrick,                      Stewart of the 34th,

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority:



A bill to establish the city court of Griffin.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Fitzgerald.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Clayton, in Rabun county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Albany.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Griffin.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of LaFayette, Walker county.

Also, a bill to amend section 583 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend section 5057 of the Civil Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to change the name of the Georgia Lunatic Asylum.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Columbus.

Also, a bill to amend an act to protect game in this State.

Also, a bill to prescribe the manner of electing the clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Tifton, Ga.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Marion county.

Also, a bill to establish a city court for Camilla.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution to provide compensation for the Penitentiary Committee.

Also, a resolution extending thanks to Hon. Augustus DuPont, Georgia Commissioner of the Tennessee Centennial, for his able and dignified representation of Georgia.

Also, a resolution appropriating \$150 to pay the elevator boy.

Also, a resolution appropriating \$2,000 to pay the accounts of committees to visit the penitentiary of Georgia.

Also, a resolution memorializing Congress to pass a bill for the free coinage of silver.

The House has concurred in the following Senate amendments to the following House bill, to wit:

A bill to regulate the business of all debenture redemption companies, etc.

Amendments Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12.

And refused to concur in amendment No. 1.

And has concurred in Nos. 6 and 7, with an amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked.

The House has also passed the following Senate bill by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to establish a Board of Dental Examiners for this State.

The House has also passed the following Senate bill by the requisite constitutional majority, as amended:

A bill to repeal an act approved February 20th, regulating the license for the sale of spirituous liquors in Appling county.

The House has also concurred in the following Senate resolution:

A resolution memorializing Congress to refund cotton tax collected in 1865, 1866, and 1867.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the Special Committee on W. & A. Railroad, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Committee on W. & A. Railroad have had under consideration the following Senate resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Company to acquire certain rights in and to the use of the Western and Atlantic Railroad in and near the city of Marietta.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined and direct me to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate the following bills, to wit:

An act to provide for the revivor of corporations, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to establish a city court in Douglas, in Coffee county.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to require the justices of the peace, notaries public, and ex-officio justices of the peace to meet at their respective county sites and fix a day for holding their courts.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to abolish the city court of Carroll county.

Also, a bill to amend section 2350 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to authorize a judicial sale of the franchises of insolvent private corporations, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to extend for sanitary and drainage purposes the jurisdiction of the commissioners of Chatham county.

Also, a bill for the payment of jurors' and bailiffs' mileage in the county of Charlton.

The Committee have also had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A bill to provide for examination for admission to the bar of this State.

Also, a bill to establish a city court in Carrollton, in the county of Carroll.

The committee have also had under consideration the following Senate bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass:

A bill making it the duty of the several grand juries of this State to examine at the fall terms of the Superior Courts tax returns of their county.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Tax Assessors for each county in this State.

Also, a bill to define lewdness, and to provide punishment for same.

Also, a bill to prohibit the sale or offering for sale any cigarettes or cigarette paper.

Also, a bill to authorize county authorities to employ detectives in certain cases.

The committee also recommend that the following House bills do not pass:

A bill to amend section 221 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a resolution providing for the furnishing by the State Librarian certain books to the ordinary of McIntosh county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 815, to amend an act to repeal an act to organize a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Twiggs county.

House bill No. 729, to amend the charter of Blairsville.

House bill No. 651, to incorporate the city of of Toccoa.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrollment have examined and direct me to report as duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate the following bills, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Coffee county.

Also, a bill to abolish the charter of the town of Lyons, in Tatnall county, and to establish a new one for same, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Turner, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the fol-

lowing Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide a new system of registration of the voters of this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

W W TURNER, Chairman.

Mr. Flewellen, Chairman of the joint committee on the part of the Senate to look into the tax laws of the State, etc., submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The special committee appointed to look into the tax laws of the State, etc., have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the making of tax returns for all improved real estate, and making all money invested in life insurance liable to taxation.

Respectfully submitted.

FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the Steering Committee, appointed by resolution, submitted the following report:

The Steering Committee beg leave to submit the follow-



ing as the order of business for this day, December 8th, 1897:

1. Senate bills for third reading.
2. Senate bills for second reading.
3. Senate bills on table to be taken up if desired by author.
4. House bills adversely reported.
5. House resolutions for third reading.
6. House bills read third time and tabled.
7. House general bills for third reading.
8. House local and general bills for second reading.
9. House local and general bills for third reading.
10. Senate bills and resolutions for instruction at any time, and such other Senate matters as may arise to be in order at all times on motion.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the House by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in the county of Milton, and for other purposes.

Mr. Wooten, Chairman pro tem. of the Engrossing Committee, made the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to amend section 2388 of the Civil Code, regulating the business of Building and Loan Associations.

Also, a bill to require all guarantee and surety companies to deposit certain bonds with the State Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. WOOTEN, 15th District,  
Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Culver, Chairman of the Committee on State of Republic, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on State of Republic have had under consideration Senate resolution No. 43, in relation to the use of the convicts of the State, providing that they be delivered to Senator Wilcox to be used in fighting for Cuban freedom on Cuban soil. While the committee has the greatest confidence in the patriotic and liberty-loving sentiments of Senator Wilcox, and firmly believes in his warmest desire to aid the Cuban cause, yet the committee

is of the opinion that the convicts can be used to better advantage in this State, as a prolific source of discord and argument, as well as being kept at hard labor. The committee therefore recommends that the resolution do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. L. CULVER, Chairman.

Under the regular order of business the following Senate bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide for a new registration law of voters in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 19, nays 14.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow the proprietors of the hotel at Salt Springs to sell liquors, wines, and other intoxicating spirits to their guests only.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Gray called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained.

Upon motion of Mr. Hopkins, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Walker of 18th district—

A bill to fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in the county of Tattnall.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

1. By inserting after the word "the" in the fifth line, and before the word "court" in the sixth line, in section 2, the words "center of the."

2. Amend section 7 of said bill by inserting the words "in criminal matters" between the words "peace" and "and" in the third line of said section.

3. Amend section 9 of said bill by striking all the words of said section after the word "street" in the fifteenth line of said section.

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution granting the Atlantic, Knoxville and Northern Railway certain powers on the W. & A. Railroad near Marietta.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 29, nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, Senate bills Nos. 105, 148, 145, 101, and 143 were withdrawn by authors of the same.

Under regular order the following Senate bills were read second time, adversely reported from committee.

By Mr. McFarland—

A bill to prohibit the sale or offering for sale any cigarettes or cigarette paper in this State.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A resolution relative to the convicts being carried to Cuba.

Report of committee was agreed to and resolution was lost.

The following Senate bills were read second time:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to require justices of the peace and notaries public to meet at the county sites of their respective counties to fix the time of holding their courts.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, the following Senate bill was taken from the table, which had adverse report from the committee:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to require ordinaries to name election managers and clerks at the voting precincts of this State.

Mr. Carter offered the following amendments:

First amendment: Amend by striking from said bill sections 6 and 7, and inserting in lieu thereof the following as section 6:

“Any ordinary in said State who shall fail or refuse to comply with this act, and any manager or clerk appointed under the provisions of this act who shall fail or refuse to serve, unless from providential cause, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.”

Mr. Carter moved to call the ayes and nays upon the amendment offered by himself, which call was sustained. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Comas,	Kemp,
Brooke,	Flynt,	Walker of the 18th
Carter,	Goldin,	Wilcox.
Castleberry,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Cook,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Sheffield,	Strother,
Hopkins,	Shropshire,	Thomson,
Kilpatrick,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 10. Nays 25.

The amendment, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

Mr. Carter moved to reconsider the vote just taken, which motion was lost.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Turner,
Comas,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Cook,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wilcox.
Flewellen,	Starr,	Witcher,
Geiger.	Stewart of the 27th,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Kemp,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Strother.
Castleberry,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
Gray,		

Ayes 30. Nays 10.

Report of committee was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Castleberry,	Kemp,
Brooke,	Flynt,	Strother,
Carter,	Goldin,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Comas,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Witcher.
Geiger,	Stevens,	Wooten.
Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Kilpatrick,		

Ayes 8. Nays 32.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.



By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table and read third time, with adverse report from committee.

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to allow certain officers to carry concealed weapons under certain circumstances.

Upon agreeing to report of committee Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Stevens,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Cook,	Hudson,	Turner,
Culver,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Geiger,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Golightly,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Gray,	Starr,	Witcher.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Everett,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brooke,	Flynt,	Strother,
Carter,	Goldin,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Shropshire,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Mr. President.
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	

Ayes 24. Nays 15.

The report of the committee was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 14, nays 21.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table, which had adverse report from committee, and had been read third time:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to amend section 863 of the Code of 1895.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Brinson,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Starr,	Witcher,
Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	McFarland,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Gray,	Strother,
Cook,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Dunwody,	Kemp,	Turner,
Everett,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Ham,	Van Buren,	Mr. President.
Kilpatrick,		

Ayes 15. Nays 25.

The report of the committee was disagreed to.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the session was indefinitely postponed.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	McFarland,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Gray,	Strother,
Dunwody,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Everett,	Kemp,	Turner.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Brinson,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Starr,	Witcher.
Culver,	Walker of the 18th,	Wooten.
Hopkins,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Ham,	Van Buren,	Mr. President.
Kilpatrick,		

Ayes 24. Nays 16.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend caption by inserting after the words "863 of" in the second line the words "volume 3 of."

Also, amend the caption by inserting after the word "section" in the fifth line the words "may in his discretion," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall."

Amend section 1 by inserting after the number "863" in the first line the words "of volume 3."

Also, by inserting after the word "shall" in the tenth line of section 1 the following: "When as many as six talesmen are needed," and the same words after the word "shall" in the twenty-fourth line of same section.

Mr. Battle gave notice that he would move to reconsider the vote just taken.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table, which had been read third time:

By Mr. Turner—

A bill to amend section 1039 of volume 3 of the Code, relative to the working of convicts in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	McFarland,	Strother,
Everett,	Redwine,	Thomson,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Turner,
Flynt,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Walker of the 18th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th.
Blalock,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Dunwody,	Van Buren,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Shropshire,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.

Ayes 19. Nays 19.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The motion of Mr. Berner, that when the Senate adjourns it will reconvene at 4 o'clock p. m., was carried.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bills were read first time:

By Mr. Geiger—

A bill to make the eastern judicial circuit of Georgia composed of Chatham, and to create a new judicial circuit, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to suspend the payment of pensions to persons confined in the Lunatic Asylum.

Ordered engrossed.

By Mr. Goldin—

A bill to make it unlawful to expend or use money or other thing of value to secure election.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution providing that no more leaves of absence be granted unless for providential causes.

The following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to vest in the voters of this State or municipality or county the right to propose certain statutes, and for other purposes.

Referred to General Judiciary Committee.

The House amendments to the following Senate bills were concurred in, to wit:

By Mr. Comas—

A bill regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Appling.

House amendments are as follows:

By adding a new section, to be numbered 10, which is as follows: "This act in no way to interfere with general

law of this State in regard to the sale of domestic wines, and section 10 be made section 11.”

Upon motion of Mr. Redwine, the Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock p. m. this day.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Wednesday, December 8th, 4 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Atkinson, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to regulate the practice in the Superior Court.

Also, a bill to regulate the payment of fees to attorneys and receivers in certain cases.

Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Dougherty.

Also, a bill to amend and alter an act establishing county court of Lee.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Superior Court of Colquitt county.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Pike Superior Court.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Under regular order the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of LaFayette, in the county of Walker.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to establish the city court of Albany, in the county of Dougherty.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to establish a city court in Camilla, in the county of Mitchell.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fitzgerald, in the county of Irwin.



Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Columbus.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Griffin, in Spalding county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Niles—

A bill to change the name of the Georgia Lunatic Asylum.

Referred to Committee on Lunatic Asylum.

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Clayton, in Rabun county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Edge—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Marion.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Simpson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in the county of Milton.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Tifton, Ga.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Edwards—

A resolution extending thanks to Hon. Augustus Dupont, Georgia commissioner at the Tennessee Centennial.

By Mr. Pace—

A bill to amend section 583 of volume 1 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Public Roads.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company, in Atlanta, Ga.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to prescribe the manner of electing clerk of the city court of Savannah.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend section 5057 of the Civil Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to protect game in this State, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish a city court in Griffin, Spalding county.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate compensation for the Penitentiary Committee.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution appropriating \$2,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the accounts of the committee to visit the penitentiary.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. McGehee—

A resolution memorializing Congress to enact a law for the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

Referred to Committee on State of the Republic.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to pay the elevator boy.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Gowen—

A bill to pay jurors and bailiffs mileage in the county of Charlton.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to extend the sanitary jurisdiction for the county of Chatham.

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to amend section 3, organizing a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Twiggs.

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to abolish the city court of Carroll county

By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend section 2350 of the Code of 1895.

The following bills were read second time and recommended to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Thomason—

A bill to regulate the practice in the Superior Courts.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to regulate the payment of fees to attorneys and receivers in certain cases.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to abolish the county court of Dougherty county.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to amend and alter an act establishing the county court of Lee county.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to change the time of holding Superior Court of Colquitt county.

By Mr. Redding—

A bill to change the time of holding Pike Superior Court.

The following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Little—

A bill to authorize a judicial sale of the purchases of insolvent private corporations.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for the examination for admission to the bar.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to establish the city court of Carrollton, in Carroll county.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia.  
Thursday, December 9th, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Walker of the 18th, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Redwine moved to reconsider the following Senate bill, which was lost on yesterday, which is by

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill providing for a new registration law for this State.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Walker of the 18th moved to reconsider the action of the Senate on yesterday, which was adopting the following resolution:

By Mr. Battle—

Resolved, That no more leaves of absence be granted unless for providential causes.

Upon the reconsideration Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th.
Blalock,	Goldin,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th.
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Golightly,	Starr,
Carter,	Gray,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Walker of the 40th
Cook,	Hopkins,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Mann,	Thomson,
Culver,	Stevens,	Westmoreland,
Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,	Mr. President.

Ayes 24. Nays 11.

The motion was carried.

The resolution which was just recommended was amended as follows:

Amend by adding after the words “providential causes”

“or account of important business when it is absolutely necessary for them to attend in person.”

The following resolution was read and referred to Committee on Rules:

By Mr. Dunwody—

A resolution that the Senate consider no bills which have been unfavorably reported from the committee unless called up by some member of the Senate.

Mr. Stewart, Chairman of the Committee on Lunatic Asylum, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Lunatic Asylum have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to change the name of the Georgia Lunatic Asylum.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. STEWART, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:



A bill to make the eastern judicial circuit of Georgia composed of the county of Chatham, and to create and organize a new judicial circuit, to be called the Atlantic circuit.

Also, the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A bill to be entitled an act to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of the counties of Charlton and Clinch.

Also, the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass:

A bill to regulate the defenses to actions on policies of life insurance.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Flewellen, Chairman of the joint committee on the part of the Senate to take into consideration the tax laws, etc., submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The special committee appointed to take into consideration the tax laws of the State, etc., have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the correct ~~re-~~turn of property for taxation, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass by substitute, to wit:

A bill to amend the public school system of Rome, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to define the duties and fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in the county of Tatnall.

The committee also find duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following resolution, to wit:

A resolution granting certain rights to the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta circuits.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

The following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to require the justices of the peace and notaries public to meet at the county sites of this State to fix the day for holding their courts.

Upon motion of Mr. Mann, the bill was tabled.

Mr. Gray, Chairman of Committee on Public Property, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Public Property have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct

me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to grant certain rights to the Chattahoochee to the Columbus Power Company.

Respectfully submitted.

C. G. GRAY, Chairman.

Mr. Culver, Chairman of Committee on State of Republic, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on State of Republic have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of fifteen citizens to secure State exhibits of Georgia at the International Exposition to be held at Omaha, Nebraska.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CULVER, Chairman.

Under the regular order the following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill providing for a correct return of taxes to this State.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to suspend the payment of pensions to persons in the Lunatic Asylum.

By Mr. Geiger—

A bill to make the eastern judicial circuit of Georgia composed of the county of Chatham, and to create and organize a new circuit to be known as the Atlantic circuit.

Under regular order the following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Wooten—

A bill to provide for a new registration law for the State.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Redwine called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Goldin,	Strother,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Ham,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Gray,	Sheffield,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs. —

Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Stevens,
Dunwoody,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.

Ayes 29. Nays 9.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, passed as amended, and the amendments were as follows:

Amend by inserting the following, to be known as section 3:

Section 3. After said list is turned over to the ordinary he shall purge the same by striking therefrom the names of all persons who have failed to pay all taxes required of them since the year 1877

Amend the remainder of the bill by making the sections conform to the above change.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they direct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass by substitute, to wit:

House bill No. 410, to establish a new charter for the town of Abbeville, in the county of Wilcox.

House bill No. 807, to amend the charter of Jesup.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 752, to amend the charter of Oakland.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 708, to amend the charter of Gainesville.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Stewart of the 34th district, Chairman of the Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, and they recommend that the same be read a second time and recommitted to your Committee on Banks.

A bill to be entitled an act amending the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company of Atlanta, Georgia.

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART of the 34th District,  
Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to alter and amend section 974 of the new Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Goldin called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Comas,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland.
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Castleberry,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Cook,	Starr,
Brinson,	Everett,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.



Those not voting were Messrs.—

Dunwoody,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Gray,	Thomson,	Mr. President.

Ayes 23. Nays 15.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended, and the amendments were as follows:

First amendment: Amend by adding after the figures "974" in the first line of the title of the act, the words "volume 3."

Second amendment: Amend by adding after the figures "974" in the third line of section 1 the words "volume 3."

The following privilege resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to Hon. W J Martin during his stay in the city.

By Mr. Battle—

A bill to make criminal pleadings amendable in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was laid upon the table.

At 12:30 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 467, to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Clarke county

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House:

An act to quiet title of lands in Camden county, and to provide for the granting of the same.

Also, an act to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county.

Also, an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Terrell.

Respectfully submitted.

E. L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted to same committee, to wit:

A bill providing for an appropriation of one thousand dollars for building a boiler house at Cave Spring for the Georgia School of the Deaf.

Also, a bill to appropriate four thousand, nine hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-three cents to defray expenses of investigation of charges against Judges Reese and Sweat.

Also, a bill to appropriate three thousand and four hundred dollars to erect fire walls and cistern for Lunatic Asylum.

Also, a bill to make an additional appropriation for indigent soldiers of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under con-

sideration Senate bill No. 160, which I am instructed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to require Coffee county to pay certain insolvent costs.

Also, House bill No. 688, which I am instructed to report that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to prohibit the butchering any cattle, sheep, or hogs in Liberty county under certain conditions.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

The joint committee of the Senate and House appointed to inspect the Northeastern Railroad submitted the following report:

*To the General Assembly of Georgia:*

The joint committee of the Senate and the House, appointed under resolution providing for an inspection of the Northeastern Railroad, beg leave to report that the duty imposed on them was performed on Saturday December 4th.

We found the road-bed, cross-ties, trestles, buildings, equipment, and other property in about the same condition as stated in the elaborate report made by Geo. C. Smith, filed in the executive office May 28th, 1896 (to which ref

erence is made), with the exceptions that since the date of that report one and one-seventh miles of the old forty-five pound iron rails have been taken up and replaced with new sixty pound steel rails; that about twelve thousand new cross-ties have been placed on the track; that such repairs have been made on the trestles as to make them suitable for present use; and that the old light engine No. 271 has been exchanged at a cost of \$1,250 for a heavier second-hand engine, in good repair.

We are pleased to report that the road runs its entire length through a rich agricultural country, and that it has a good local patronage in addition to its through business, all of which it has been able to handle with reasonable promptness, notwithstanding its great deficiency in equipment, that deficiency, however, being in a large measure supplied by arrangements with connecting roads whereby freight cars are furnished for the business of this road.

The present management we find to be in all respects capable, efficient, and alert to the interest of the road, and we have no hesitation in thus expressing our commendation.

Notwithstanding the State realizes some profit in operating this road, it is the judgment of the committee that a sale of the road should be effected as soon as may be, and to that end we recommend that a law be passed authorizing the Governor to offer the same for sale whenever in his discretion such sale can be made; provided, that the minimum price at which the road may be sold shall be \$287,000,

that being the amount of the bonded indebtedness of the State on account of said road.

Respectfully submitted.

E. A. FLEWELLEN, Chairman,  
T. F. McFARLAND,  
W. Y. CARTER,

On part of the Senate.

W. A. CHARTERS, Chairman,  
J. J. BOWDEN,  
B. H. HILL,  
NAT. D. ARNOLD,  
JNO. D. LITTLE,  
J. R. NISBET,

On part of the House.

The following resolution was read first time:

By Mr. Starr—

A resolution providing that the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House be allowed to remain at the capitol five days after the session to finish the business, and that they draw their same per diem.

Ordered engrossed.

The following Senate bill was read first time:

By Mr. Stewart of 34th District—

A bill to amend section 2391 of the Code of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

Upon motion of Senator Stewart, the session was extended until 1:30 o'clock.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 91 was made special order for to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the Journal.

Under regular order the following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to authorize State banks now existing under the laws of this State to issue obligations payable in merchandise or silver bullion, and for other purposes.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Friday, December 10th, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 1st.
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Everett,                      Kilpatrick.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Upon recommendation of the Steering Committee, the regular order was adopted as yesterday, after the special orders were disposed of.

The unfinished business was taken up, which was a bill  
By Mr. Berner—

A bill to authorize State banks of this State to issue obligations payable in merchandise or silver bullion, and for other purposes.

Mr. Strother moved to reconsider the action of the Senate on agreeing to the report of committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill.

The motion was lost.



Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote ~~was~~ as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.
Goldin,		

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Flynt,	Thomson,
Carter,	Kemp,	Turner.
Castleberry,	Strother,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Mr. President.
Everett,	Kilpatrick,	

Ayes 31. Nays 8.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

First: Amend by inserting immediately after the word "Georgia" in the fourth line of section one, the words "or that may hereafter be chartered under the laws of this State."

Second: By inserting immediately after the word Georgia, in the second line of the caption, "or that may hereafter be chartered under the laws of this State."

The special order was taken up, which is a bill by Mr. Battle—

A bill to repeal section 1010 of the Code of this State, relative to the prisoner's statement in criminal trials.

Upon agreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Comas,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Cook,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Culver,	Ham,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Hopkins,	Witcher.

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Starr,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Strother,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Everett,	Thomson,	Wilcox,
Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,	Mr. President.

Ayes 15. Nays 23.

The report of the committee was disagreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Goldin,	Hudson,
Comas,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Cook,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Culver,	Ham,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Hopkins,	Witcher,
Geiger,		

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Starr,
Blalock,	Kemp,	Strother,
Brinson,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Sheffield,	Wooten,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Everett,	Thomson,	Wilcox,
Kilpatrick,	Van Buren.	Mr. President.
Stevens,		

Ayes 16. Nays 21.

The bill not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following resolution was read:

By Mr. Gray—

A resolution providing that when the Senate adjourns

to-day, it take a recess until Monday, and the two days lost not to be taken out of the fifty days of this session, and no per diem be paid for days lost.

Upon the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Walker called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Mann,	Turner,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Cook,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.
Golightly,		

Those voting in the negative, were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Strother,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th.
Dunwody,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.
Flewellen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Everett,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
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Ayes 28. Nays 13.

The resolution was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, the session was extended until 1:30 o'clock.

Mr. Turner moved that the Senate adjourn to meet again at 3 o'clock, which motion was carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Cook, the session was extended until House bill No. 582 was read first time.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read first time:

By Special Committee—

A bill to create a Prison Commission for this State.

Referred to Committee on Penitentiary.

By unanimous consent, 200 copies of House bill No. 582 were ordered printed and to be returned to the Senate this evening.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 93 was made special order immediately after the reading of the Journal at next day's session.

Leave of absence was granted Mr. Everett for to-day and to-morrow on important business.

Also, for Senator Atkinson for to-morrow, on account of sickness in family.

Also, for Senator Comas, to visit the School for the Deaf and Dumb, for to-morrow.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate adjourned until this evening at 3 o'clock.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,

December 10th, 3 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Battle,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Turner,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Brooke,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Carter,	Goldin,	Strother,
Comas,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Cook,	Gray,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	McFarland,	Wilcox.

Mr. Atkinson, Chairman of Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Temperance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to establish a dispensary in the town of Statesboro, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

ALEX. ATKINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill and Senate resolution, to wit:

A bill to authorize State banks to issue obligations payable in merchandise or silver bullion, and for other purposes.

A resolution providing that the General Assembly take a recess for Saturday and Sunday, and count such days *non dies*.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Mr. Redwine, Chairman of Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation

that same be read the second time, and be recommitted to same committee, to wit:

A bill to require that mixed flour be branded so as to show contents, weight, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to abolish the city court of Spalding county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Cusseta, in Chattahoochee county

Also, a bill to repeal an act to create an act to provide for the compensation of the ordinary of Twiggs county for extra services.

Also, a bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Hancock county to pay insolvent costs to clerks and bailiffs of said county

Also, a bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Glynn county to levy a special tax for the benefit of public schools.



Also, a bill to protect fish in the streams of Lee county, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to regulate the catching of fish in Tallulah river and its tributaries, in Rabun county.

Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Clinch county.

Also, a bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Taylor county.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Camilla, in and for the county of Mitchell.

The committee also recommend that the following House bills do pass, as amended, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Marion county.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads, Finance and Public Property of Monroe.

Also, a bill to establish the city court of Albany, in and for the county of Dougherty.

Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Taylor.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engraving, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to regulate the registration of voters of this State, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to amend the Code so as to give the State and defendant the same number of peremptory challenges of jurors.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Mr. Stewart, of the 34th District, Chairman of Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Banks have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to amend the Code relative to corporations and persons lending money

The committee also recommend that the following House bill do not pass, to wit:

A bill to amend the Code, section 1912, volume 2, relating to bank returns.

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART, of 34th District, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Senate bill No. 162, to extend the corporate limits of Fort Valley.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Geiger, Chairman of Committee on Academy of Blind, makes the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee appointed on the part of the Senate to visit the Academy of the Blind respectfully submit the following report:

We have examined into the disposition of the finances appropriated by the State to the institution, and find that the board of trustees have made only such expenditures as are necessarily essential to the equipment and support of the institution. The system of accounts is such that an exhibit along any line can be readily shown. The expense of maintaining the one hundred and six (106) students is about thirty (30) cents per day.

In our opinion, the students are receiving as good instruction, care and attention as the State can be expected to give, and at the least possible cost.

We find that every necessary attention has been and is now being given to the sanitation of the buildings and grounds.

We find the buildings in good repair and amply sufficient for the work of the institution, while the grounds are neatly and well kept.

The management and work being done are, indeed, creditable to the board of trustees and Professor Williams and his able corps of teachers.

The only recommendation we have to make is, that the management buy rugs to place by the bedsides of the students to stand on while dressing when they arise in the morning.

Respectfully submitted.

W W GEIGER, Chairman.

The Special Senate Committee, appointed to visit the Georgia Normal and Industrial College at Milledgeville, Georgia, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Committee, appointed to visit the Georgia Normal College and Industrial College at Milledgeville, beg leave to submit the following report:

The Committee gave as thorough an inspection of the institution as was possible in the limited time at their command, giving their attention both to its methods of conduct and as to its needs. We were present at the opening exercises at the College Chapel in the morning and saw the entire student body, consisting of three hundred and sixty girls and young ladies assembled together. We then spent several hours in visiting every department and every class room of the college building, seeing the teachers and pupils in the ordinary routine duties of the school day. We found classes in pedagogy, psychology, natural science, mathematics, Latin, English, history and literature—a model school composed of very young children, seventy or eighty in number, under training teachers, which department enables the institution to give normal students practical instruction in the best methods of modern teaching. There are also classes in free-hand drawing, dressmaking, bookkeeping, stenography, typewriting and cooking. There are also departments for physical culture, painting and crayon drawing, and vocal and instrumental music. We were very much pleased with the courses of instruction in these various departments, and the apparent efficiency of the teachers therein. We regard this college of inestimable value to the State, especially in furnishing a large number of competent teachers for our public schools, and also by fitting so many of our young women for the practical affairs of life.

After inspecting the various school departments, the committee visited the new dormitory building, which is

admirably suited for its purpose, though inadequate in size for the present needs of the college. The committee dined with the students in the large dining-room of the mansion, which is also used as a dormitory. The admirable order and system everywhere apparent in the management of the college, was well exhibited here where such a large number of bright, intelligent young ladies march in and out of the dining hall with the utmost precision and good order. The practical side of their instruction is not neglected even here, as the students in turn wait upon the tables and look after the dining-room. While the students live well and comfortably, we were surprised to find how cheaply board is furnished. The impression made upon your committee is that in Prof. J. Harris Chappell, the State has a most competent and efficient principal for this valuable school—one who is in love with his life-work, and intent upon making the institution potent for good to the State. The entire corps of teachers seems to be of the highest grade and up-to-date in their methods of teaching. This institution is worthy of the utmost consideration and encouragement at the hands of the State.

The needs of the institution are first: More room, both in dormitories and class rooms. Second: Furniture for class rooms and assembly room. Third: A larger and better library. Fourth: Scientific apparatus for the laboratory, and new blackboards, charts, maps and typewriting machines. No daughter of Georgia, anxious for instruction, should find the doors of this institution closed against her for want of room. We trust that the needs of this

institution will receive favorable consideration from each future General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted.

E. L. BRINSON,  
J. R. VAN BUREN,  
W W TURNER,  
B. F. WALKER, 18th Dist.,  
T. C. HAM,  
J. L. CULVER, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Education have had under consideration the following bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate, with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of La Fayette, in Walker county, and to establish a public school system in said town.

Also, a bill to establish a public school system in the town of Austell, in Cobb county.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N STARR, Chairman.

Mr. McFarland, Chairman of Committee on Public Roads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Public Roads have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 583 of volume 1 of Code of 1895, relative to the road law.

Also, a bill to provide a system of working the public roads in Bryan county.

The committee recommend that the following bill do not pass:

A bill to provide a system of working public roads in Lee county by contract.

Respectfully submitted.

T. F. McFARLAND, Chairman.

Mr. Turner, Chairman of Committee on Elections, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Elections have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, as amended, to wit:

A bill to make it unlawful to expend money or anything valuable to secure election to office in this State

Respectfully submitted.

W. W. TURNER, Chairman.



Mr. Brinson, Chairman of Committee on Enrolling, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrolling have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the following acts:

An act to change the time of holding the superior court of Appling county.

Also, an act to establish a dispensary in Appling county.

Also, an act to quiet the title of lands in Camden county.

Also, an act to incorporate the town of Fairmount, in Gordon county.

Also, an act to establish a dispensary in Dawson City, Terrell county.

Also, an act to establish a Board of Dental Examiners for the State.

Respectfully submitted.

E. L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed

to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 768, to repeal an act creating a Board of County Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Habersham county.

House bill No. 828, to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

Also, the following House bills, which I am directed to report back, with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Corporations, to wit:

House bill No. 759, to incorporate the town of Birmingham.

House bill No. 793, to amend the charter of the city of Columbus.

House bill No. 796, to amend the charter of the city of Griffin.

House bill No. 809, to amend the charter of the city of Tifton.

House bill No. 363, to amend the charter of the city of Waycross.

House bill No. 795, to amend the charter of Clayton.

House bill No. 821, to amend the charter of Fitzgerald.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 416, to amend the act creating a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

House bill No. 278, to prescribe the manner of electing the clerk and sheriff of the city court of Savannah.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, made the following request:

*Mr. President:*

I am instructed by the General Judiciary Committee, to request of the Senate that 100 copies be printed for the use of the Senate, of the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill vesting in the voters of this State certain powers and privileges.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

, A bill to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta Circuit.

The Committee also recommend that the following House bills do pass, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Griffin, in Spalding county.

Also, a bill to abolish the county court of Dougherty county

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Pike county superior court.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Colquitt superior court.

Also, a bill to amend section 5057 of the Code of 1895.

The Committee also recommend that the following bill do pass, as amended:

A bill to amend and alter an act establishing a county court in the counties of Dougherty and Lee

The committee also recommend that the following Senate bills do not pass:

A bill to regulate the payment of fees to attorneys and receivers in cases where petition for injunction and receiver is filed in this State.

Also, a bill to regulate the practice in the superior courts of this State.

Also, a bill to provide for trial of criminal cases in the county courts of this State.

Also, a bill to vest in the voters of this State certain privileges.

The committee also recommend that the following House bill do not pass:

A bill to amend the game laws of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read second time and recommitted, to wit:

A bill to appropriate three hundred and twenty dollars to the School Book Commission.

A bill to appropriate five thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars and six cents for mileage for members at extra session on February 3, 1897

The committee also recommend that the following resolutions be read second time and recommitted:

A resolution to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant for \$205.88 in favor of H. W. Thomas.

Also, a resolution to refund certain moneys to D. B. Leonard.

Also, a resolution appropriating \$150 to the elevator boy.

Also, a resolution to appropriate compensation for Penitentiary Committee.

Also, a resolution appropriating the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay expenses of Committees investigating penitentiary convict camps.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

Mr. Dunwody, as Chairman of the joint committee appointed under a resolution of the House and Senate, submitted on behalf of the committee the following report:

*To the Senate and House of Representatives:*

The joint committee appointed under a resolution of the Senate and House adopted at the last session of the legislature for the purpose of visiting the military encamp-

ments of the Georgia militia to be held during the year 1897, instruct me to report as follows:

That there were three encampments in the State. One at Camp Northen, situated at Griffin, for the infantry and artillery; one at Camp Atkinson, situated at Meldrim, for the cavalry; and the last on St. Simon's Island, for the naval militia.

At Camp Northen the term of duty was two weeks. During the first week the First Regiment of Infantry, commanded by Col. A. R. Lawton, and the Chatham Artillery, commanded by Capt. Geo. P. Walker, occupied the camp. Col. Lawton was Camp Commander. The men comprising this command showed a marked degree of proficiency in all matters pertaining to military discipline and knowledge in the use of arms, and in field and other movements of troops. The second week at Camp Northen the Sixth Infantry, Col. Wm. E. Jones commanding, and the Third Infantry, Col. Usher Thomason commanding, occupied the camp. The troops in the camp during this week were under the command of Col. Jones, who was Camp Commander. The spirit of the men composing these regiments was exceptionally fine, and the performance of their duties was done with readiness, showing a disposition to profit by the instructions of their superior officers. Your committee has never seen a fairer representation of the military of the State than was in attendance upon this camp, and the patriotism displayed by the militia in maintaining their organizations at almost entirely their own expense should be relieved by the State granting as liberal an appro-

priation as its treasury could withstand. We found the camp orderly, well appointed, and almost perfect in all the requirements that are necessary for a healthy location of so many men, except the sanitation, which was only fairly good, but this could be remedied by a small appropriation to construct the proper drainage so as to take the sewerage away from the camps more satisfactorily than is now done.

Camp Atkinson, at Meldrim, where the cavalry encampment was held, is an ideal place for such encampments. It is well appointed and fully equipped at the expense of one of the most public-spirited citizens of this State, and it is due largely to his own exertions and expenditures of his own money that this camp is one of the best in the State. The patriotism displayed by him made it possible for the State at little expense to have this encampment. The camp was in command of Col. W. W. Gordon, of the First Cavalry. Too much cannot be said of the proficiency of the troops which composed this camp. There was no time lost in idleness, for the duties required almost constant attendance, and although onerous, they were performed with a willingness worthy of the sacrifice of the business and professional engagements of the men who composed this part of the military of our State.

The Naval militia, a new departure in the military of this State, formed for the purpose of instructing a portion of the militia in the art of naval warfare. Being useful as a battalion of infantry, it performs a double service to the State, in that the men are instructed in the art of warfare for service on the seas, as well as for land service. This encamp-



ment was held at Camp Roosevelt, on St. Simon's Island, and was composed of four divisions—two from Brunswick and two from Savannah, with Lieutenant-Commander Aiken in command of the camp. This is a unique as well as useful part of the militia of the State, and the same commendation is due them for strict adherence to duty that has been accorded to the other branches of the militia of the State. This branch of the militia should be fostered as one of the most important branches. It affords your committee great pleasure to acknowledge in this connection the great benefit the militia of the State has derived from Capt. Oscar J. Brown, First Cavalry U. S. Army, the Acting Assistant Adjutant-General of the State, for his earnestness and efficiency in imparting to the militia the benefit of his training, knowledge and experience in the art of warfare. Nothing but universal commendation was heard upon the part of the militia for the valuable services rendered to them by this efficient officer and native Georgian.

Your committee found at each camp a disposition of both officers and men to comply with the true spirit and import of the appropriation made by the State, by strictly adhering to the duties of the camp, and instructions given in the art of warfare were intelligently received and resulted in great advantage to the men. There was no holiday attire, but the militia, both officers and men, performed their arduous duties in the regulation uniform of the camp, which was composed of jeans pants and cotton shirts, which evidenced the fact that they were in camp for the purpose of being instructed. The disposition of both officers and men seemed to be a desire to take advantage of the appropria-

tion for the purpose of becoming well drilled and equipped for any service which the State might have use for them.

Your committee desire to say that the money appropriated has been well and economically spent, and the best judgment prevailed in the use of the funds entrusted to the military officials of the State.

The militia of Georgia is comprised of the flower of the State—or men in the various walks of life. There is no arrogance of caste among them, and those of one station and calling in life commingle with those of another station and calling with a marked degree of cordial equality.

Your committee does not hesitate to say that with the small appropriation made by the State, the military has shown marked improvement, and that a State can ill afford to let this part of the service fall into decay for want of a sufficient appropriation to instruct its militia in the art of modern warfare. That State is only safe which does not allow its contemporaries to advance to a greater degree of proficiency in political, social and industrial improvements than itself. This component part of the government of the State should be fostered, so that it may become in the future, as it has been in the past, the pride and the glory of its citizens.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F DUNWODY,  
Chairman Joint Committee.

The following resolution was read and tabled:

By Mr. Carter—

Resolved, by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Georgia, That section 10 of article 1 of the National Constitution should be amended so as to strike out all that portion of said section which is, "That no State shall coin money."

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read the first time:

By Mr. Berner, by request—

A bill to provide for the incorporation of insurance companies with power to insure against robbery, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

Under regular order, the following Senate bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill to make a complete return of all taxes to this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Walker, of 18th, the bill was tabled, and 150 copies ordered printed for the Senate.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to suspend the payment of pensions to persons in the lunatic asylum.

Upon motion of Mr. Hopkins, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Geiger—

A bill to make the Eastern Judicial Circuit composed of Chatham county only, and that a new Circuit be made to be known as the Atlantic Circuit.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Mann—

A bill to require the justices of the peace and notaries public to meet at the county sites of the several counties of this State to fix the days of holding their courts.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 30, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed, as amended.

Amend the fourth line of first section by striking the word “annually” and insert in lieu thereof the words “every four years.”

Provided, that this act shall not become operative in any county in this State until first recommended by the grand jury of the said county

Under the regular order the following Senate bills were read the second time:

By Mr. Stewart, 34th district—

A bill to amend section 2391 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of Fort Valley, in Houston county.

By Mr. Starr—

A resolution allowing the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, Secretary of Senate and Clerk of the House to remain at the capitol five days after adjournment for official business.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta Circuits.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to require Coffee county to pay the officers of court the costs now allowed by law.

By Mr. Gordon—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to use money or other things of value to secure elections.

Mr. Battle moved that when the Senate adjourn this evening that it meet again at 7:30 o'clock, which motion was carried.

Under regular order, the following Senate bill was taken from the table with adverse report from the committee:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to regulate the election laws of this State, and for other purposes.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, the ayes and nays were called to disagree to the report of the committee, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Carter,	Kemp,	Turner.
Castleberry,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Stevens,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Kilpatrick,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Mr. President.
Flynt,		

Ayes 7    Nays 24.

The motion was lost; bill was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read the first time:

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to make it unlawful for any railroad in the State to charge more than two cents per mile for traveling.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 139 was withdrawn by author.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read the second time:

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fitzgerald, in the county of Irwin.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read first time, to wit:

By Mr. Hill—

A bill to change the name of the Coweta circuit to the Carrollton judicial circuit.

Laid upon the table.

By Mr. Blalock—

A resolution providing for an appropriation of \$1,800 to pay the per diem and expenses for the special committee of five appointed under resolution of February 3, 1897.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Reese—

A resolution to pay the salary of Richard Johnson, Commissioner of Pensions, for one month.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Charters—

A resolution to pay David Heard \$50 for twenty-five days' service as porter in House, 1897

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Felder—

A resolution to pay per diem and mileage to the Hon. J. H. Polhill and Hon. James Stapleton.

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$500 for an expert accountant.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution to appropriate \$2,000 to pay a deficit in the exhibit at the Tennessee Centennial.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Whitaker—

A resolution authorizing the Governor to draw his warrant on the treasury for \$2,000 to repair the capitol.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution to provide for assistant doorkeeper for the House.



Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Taylor—

A resolution to appropriate \$914 for the completion of a water main at the lunatic asylum.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A resolution to appropriate the sum of \$280 to compensate the joint committee for the Senate and House to confer with the President of the State University.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read the third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Knowles—

A bill creating a Library Commission in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed:

By Mr. Chapman—

A bill to amend section 413 of the penal Code of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 1.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Nicholas—

A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Jesup.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

By Mr. Bush—

A bill to abolish the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Miller.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Johnson of Baker—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Newton, in Baker county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed, as amended: By striking section 4 and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

Section 4. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that said mayor and council be authorized to levy an annual street tax, not exceeding \$3, upon every person subject to road duty in said town, which tax may be paid by the person against whom it is issued, by working on the streets of said town, at the rate of fifty cents per day, and any person failing to pay the said tax, or perform the said

work by the date fixed by said mayor and council for the payment of the same, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five dollars for each day that he fails to work, or be imprisoned in the town prison, or worked on the streets of said town for not more than thirty days.

Amend further, by striking from section 7 the figures "\$5" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "\$500."

By Mr. Yates——

A bill to grant and cede to the United States a public highway through the county of Catoosa.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By unanimous consent House resolution 145 was withdrawn from Committee on Appropriations and referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Freeman of Coweta——

A bill to provide for ordinary *pro hac vice* in cases of disqualified ordinaries.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking the words "shall provide" in the 9th line of section 1, after the word "correct."

2d. Amend by inserting the word "am" in the first line of the caption after the word "for" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "of" after the word "case" in the second line of the caption.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to fix the compensation of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Irwin.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed, as amended.

Amend by striking the word "eight" from section 1 of said bill, and insert in lieu thereof the word "six."

By Mr. Hightower—

A bill to establish and regulate a dispensary in Blakely, in the county of Early.

Bill was made to follow special order to-morrow.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, the Senate adjourned until 7:30 o'clock to-night.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President pro tem.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Under regular order, the following House bill was read the second time:

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the town of Austell, Cobb county.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution to appropriate \$2,000 to pay the expenses of the committee to visit the convict camp.

Was recommitted to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution to appropriate \$150 to pay elevator boy.

Was recommitted to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to repeal an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Habersham.

By Mr. Knowles—

A resolution to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the treasury for \$205 in favor of H. W. Thomas.

Recommitted to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Simpson—

A bill to incorporate the town of Birmingham, in Milton county.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Columbus.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, in Bulloch county.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend section 5057 of the Code.

By Mr. Thomas—

A bill to maintain a sewerage system in the city of Waycross.

Recommitted to Corporation Committee.

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

By Mr. Law—

A bill to prohibit the butchering of hogs, cattle and sheep under certain circumstances, in Liberty county.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of La Fayette, in the county of Walker.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to protect fish in the streams of Lee county.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to establish a city court in Albany, Dougherty county.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to change the corporate limits of Oakland city.

By Mr. Bennet—

A bill to authorize the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Glynn county to levy a special tax.

By Mr. Dickerson—

A bill to change the time of holding the superior courts of Charlton and Clinch.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to establish a city court in the town of Camilla.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to release and grant to Columbus Power Company certain rights to the Chattahoochee river.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution appointing a committee of fifteen citizens of this State to visit the Trans-Mississippi and International Centennial at Omaha, Neb., in the year 1898.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to appropriate \$2,000 to pay expenses of the committee investigating the charges against Judges Sweat and Reese.

By Mr. Thomas of Clarke—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Clarke.

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to provide for the compensation of ordinary of Twiggs county

By Mr. Morgan—

A bill to provide for a system for working public roads in the county of Bryan.

By Mr. Dickerson—

A bill to abolish the county court of Clinch county

By Mr. Felder—

A bill amending the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company

Recommitted to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in the Tallulah river.

By Mr. Montfort—

A bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Taylor.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish a city court in Griffin.

By Mr. Burwell—

A bill to require the Board of Commissioners of Roads



and Revenues of Hancock county to pay certain insolvent costs.

By Mr. Nevin—

A bill to appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to build a boiler house at the Georgia School for the Deaf.

Recommitted to Finance Committee.

By Mr. Olvin—

A bill to require all mixed flour to have stamped on it the contents of the package.

By Mr. Ennis—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the city of Rome.

By Mr. Awtrey—

A bill to require the State Memorial Board to make investigation of the Confederate Cemeteries.

By Mr. Montfort—

A bill to amend the county court laws of Taylor county.

By Mr. Edge—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in Marion county.

By Mr. Niles—

A bill to change the name of Georgia Lunatic Asylum.

The following House bills were read the second time and recommitted to Committee on Appropriations:

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to appropriate \$3,400 to build fire walls at lunatic asylum.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to make appropriation to pay indigent Confederate soldiers pension.

The following House bills were read the second time and recommitted to Finance Committee:

By Mr. Whipple—

A resolution to refund less taxes and costs received by State to D. B. Leonard for the purchase of certain lands.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate compensation for Penitentiary Committee.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate the sum of \$320 for the School-book Commission.

Also, a bill to appropriate the sum of \$5,781 to pay expenses for the extra session of the legislature.

The following House bills were read the second time and recommitted to Committee on Corporations:

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Clayton, in Rabun county.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Griffin.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Tifton.

Mr. Turner moved that when the Senate adjourn it meet at 9 o'clock in the morning, which motion was carried.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken up to concur in House substitute:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville.

House substitute was concurred in and the following amendment was adopted:

By striking all of last line of section two after the word "treasury" and insert instead the following: "such amount not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25) each, as may be fixed by the mayor and council."

Mr. Dunwody, Chairman of Committee on Military, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Military have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to

report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same be read the second time, and be recommitted, to wit:

A bill to require the State Memorial Board to investigate into the condition of Confederate cemeteries, and to appropriate money to pay expenses of investigation.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F DUNWODY, Chairman.

The following House bill was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Rawls—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Guyton.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend section 982 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the town of McRae.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Rawlings—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Washington.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended:

By striking all of paragraph nine of section seven.

2d. By striking the word "tenth" in first line of paragraph tenth, section seven, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "tenth."

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to amend an act to organize a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in Twiggs county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to declare the third day of June, commonly known as Jefferson Davis's birthday, a legal holiday.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Woodbury, in the county of Meriwether.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Wilkes—

A bill to incorporate the town of Meigs, in the county of Thomas.

Upon the passage of the bill, the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Lance—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Blairsville, in the county of Union.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to amend the act creating a city court in Macon, Bibb county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, as amended.

Amend by striking section three of said bill and properly numbering the following sections.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to establish a city court in Gwinnett county.

The bill was tabled.

By Mr. McCook—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Cusseta, in the county of Chattahoochee.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Adams—

A bill to authorize the city of Thomaston to issue and sell bonds, not to exceed \$1,000.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Mansfield—

A resolution for the relief of Nick King.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Wright—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Rockmart.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Culloden, in the county of Monroe.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of public property and finance for the county of Monroe.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended, and the amendments were as follows:

1st. Amend by striking from section 4 all after the word "commissioners" where it first occurs in the sixth line



of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "That said commissioners while acting as such are disqualified from holding any other county office, but they may be members of the General Assembly, and may elect one of their body superintendent of public roads, for said county, whose duties shall be defined by a majority of said board and whose salary shall also be fixed by a majority of said board, and said commissioners may be officers of the militia, and are exempt from road and jury duty."

2d. Amend further, by striking from section 5 in the fifth line of said section, the words "no per diem" and insert the following words in lieu thereof, "the same per diem as is allowed the other commissioners."

By Messrs. Calloway and Armstrong—

A bill to protect bicycle ways in the county of Wilkes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to incorporate the town of St. Marks, in the county of Meriwether.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Collum—

A bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Schley.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Leave of absence was granted Senator Stewart, of 34th district for to-morrow.

Upon motion of Mr. Dunwoody, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Saturday, December 11, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon motion of Mr. Culver, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Upon motion of Senator Shropshire, House bill No. 805, was reconsidered and recommitted to Committee on Special Judiciary.

Mr. Carter moved to reconsider the action of yesterday on Senate bill

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to vest in the voters of this State certain powers and privileges.

Upon the reconsideration, Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Strother.
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner.
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Geiger.	Starr,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Ayes 8. Nays 16.

The motion was lost.

The following message was received from the House, through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills, by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to appropriate \$10,000 to the trustees of the University of Georgia, to establish a textile department in the State Technological School.

Also, a bill to authorize county boards of education to provide bonds for the use of common schools, etc.

The House has also passed the following bill of the Senate with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A bill to amend paragraphs two and three of section 3 of article 6, and paragraph one of section two of article 6 of the Constitution of this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Cook, the following House bill was read the second time and recommitted to Committee on Penitentiary:

By Special Committee—

A bill to create a prison commission in the State.

The special order, which was Senate bill No. 93, was temporarily displaced.

The next special order was House bill by

Mr. Hightower—

A bill to establish and maintain a dispensary in the city of Blakely.

Mr. Carter moved to reconsider the action of the Senate in agreeing to report of committee for the purpose of offering an amendment.

The motion was lost.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the call of the Senate was had.

The following is the call:

Blalock,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brooke,	Gray,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Dunwoody,	Sheffield,	Witcher.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	<b>Wooten.</b>
Flynt,	Starr,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Mr. President.

Present, 26.

There was a quorum present.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 3.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Amend by striking the words "three of whom shall be citizens of Blakely" from the fifth line, and the words "taking care always that three of said commissioners shall reside in Blakely" from the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth lines in the first section of this bill.

Also, amend by adding at the end of section twelve the following words: "Nor shall said municipal authorities impose any tax or license fee upon the dispensary established by this act."

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman of Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to confirm an act incorporating the Cartersville and Gainesville Air Line R. R., and for other purposes.

The committee recommend that the following Senate bill do pass, as amended, to wit:

A bill to prevent tramps and others from stealing rides on railroad trains.

The committee also recommend that the following Senate bill do not pass, to wit:

A bill to make it unlawful for railroad corporations to charge over two cents per mile for passenger transportation.

The committee also recommends that the following House bill do not pass, to wit:

A bill to amend the Code relative to the publication of schedules, rates, etc. of railroad commissioners.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Mr. Culver, Chairman of Committee on State of Republic, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on State of Republic have had under consideration the following House resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A resolution memorializing Congress to pass a silver measure.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CULVER, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 164 was withdrawn by author.

Under regular order, the following Senate bill was read the third time:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill to extend the corporate limits of Fort Valley, in Houston county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Starr—

A resolution providing that the President of Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of Senate and Clerk of House remain at capitol five days after session to finish the business.

Upon the adoption of the resolution the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta Judicial Circuits.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 1.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

1. By adding to the caption the words "a bill to be entitled an" before the word "act."

2. Amend by striking after the word "circuit" in the third line of the caption of the act the following words, to wit: "and to change the time of holding the superior court of Campbell county."



3. Amend by striking all of section 2 after the word "be" in the third line thereof, and by adding in lieu thereof the following words, to wit: "the same as that now fixed by law."

4. Amend by striking all of section 3 of said act.

5. By numbering section 4 section 3 of said act.

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to require the authorities of Coffee county to pay certain costs to the officers of said county, as now provided by law.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

1. By striking from the seventh line of section 1 the words "in the penitentiary of this State or."

2. By striking from section 2 of said bill in line three the words "in the penitentiary of this State or."

By Mr. Goldin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to pay money or other things of value to secure election.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 15, nays 9.

The bill not having received the requisite constitutional majority was lost.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 134 was withdrawn by the author.

The following Senate bill was taken from the table with adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to regulate the fees of attorneys and receivers of corporations.

Mr. Berner moved to disagree to the report of the committee, and upon this Mr. Blalock called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Geiger,	Starr,
Brooke,	Gray,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Culver,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th.
Dunwody,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th
Comas,	Redwine,	Wilcox.
Everett,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Ayes 18. Nays 7.

The report of the committee was disagreed to.

The bill was tabled for the present.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin the Clerk:

*Mr President:*

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution, with an amendment thereto, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution providing that when the General Assembly adjourn to-day it take a recess until Monday, counting Saturday and Sunday *non dies*.

The following Senate bills were read the second time:

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill to prevent tramps or other people from stealing rides on trains.

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to incorporate Insurance Companies whose power is to insure against robbery.

The following Senate bill was read the second time with adverse report from committee.

By Mr. Carter—

A bill to make it illegal for any railroad to charge more than two cents per mile.

Mr. Carter moved to disagree to the report of the committee, which motion was lost.

The report of the committee was agreed to and the bill lost.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate resolution was taken up to concur in the House amendment:

By Mr. Gray—

A resolution striking the 12th day of December from the fifty days and extending the session until Thursday, next.

Amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to require justices of the peace to hold county conventions to regulate the time of holding their respective courts.

Also, a bill to change the Eastern Circuit and create a new circuit to be known as the Atlantic Circuit.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Turner, Chairman of Committee on Elections, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Privileges and Elections have had under consideration the following House resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A resolution appropriating per diem and mileage for Hon. Joseph H. Polhill and Hon. James Stapleton.

Respectfully submitted.

W W TURNER, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back, with the recommendation that the same do pass, as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 821, to amend the charter of Fitzgerald.

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee find duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following bill and resolution, to wit:

A bill to extend the limits of the city of Fort Valley.

Also resolution allowing the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of Senate, and Clerk of the House to remain at the capitol five days to finish up the business.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to rearrange Stone Mountain and Coweta Circuits.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

The following House bills were read the first time:

By Mr. Thomas of Clarke—

A bill to authorize the county boards of education to provide books for their use.

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A bill to appropriate \$10,000 to establish a textile department at the University of Georgia.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

The following House bills were read the second time:

By Mr. Felder—

A resolution paying mileage to Hons. J. H. Polhill and James Stapleton.

By Mr. Durham—

A bill to incorporate the Cartersville and Gainesville Air Line Railroad.

The following House bills were read the third time:

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to establish a city court in Carrollton, in the county of Carroll.

Amendments were adopted, and bill was tabled.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Fitzgerald, in the county of Irwin.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

1. Amend by striking all of sections 10, 11, 12 and 13 of said act.

2. Amend by striking after the word "authority" in the

third line of section 15 all of second section down to the word "two" in the 13th line of said section.

3. Amend by striking after the word "said" in the second line of section 18 the words "Board of Education," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "city of Fitzgerald," and by striking after the word "said" in the fifth line of said section 18 the words "school district" and inserting the words "city of Fitzgerald."

4. Amend by changing the numbers of the sections so as to make them confirm to these amendments.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish a city court in the city of Griffin.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Ennis—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in the city of Rome.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed, by substitute.

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Macon.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.



The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to establish a city court in the city of Albany.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

The motion of Mr. Dunwody, that when the Senate adjourns it meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening, was carried.

Mr. Dunwody moved that the session be extended until 1:30 o'clock, which motion was carried.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Amend section 1 by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "Provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed so as to diminish the compensation of the solicitor-general of the Eastern Judicial Circuit as now fixed by law. And the said solicitor-general shall be entitled to receive out of the county treasury of Chatham county, in each calendar year on his insolvent costs bills the sum of

\$1,600, which amount shall be due and payable during the month of January of each calendar year on bill properly certified to by the judge of the superior court of Chatham county, and the judge of the city court of Savannah, each for the sum of \$800. This act to be effective in so far as it affects the compensation of the solicitor-general on January 1, 1898, and the county treasury shall be liable for the first annual payment to the solicitor-general during the month of January 1898.

2. Amendment to amendment: Amend by striking all of the words after the figures "1898" in the 29th line of the first page of the amendment.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporation, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 768, to repeal an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Habersham county.

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By Mr. Copeland—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of LaFayette, in the county of Walker.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Meldrim——

A bill to extend the jurisdiction of the county authorities of Chatham county for sanitary purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Senator Kemp was excused on account of sickness.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, the Senate adjourned until 7:30 this evening.

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7:30 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment, at 7:30 o'clock, and was called to order.

Upon motion of Mr. Hopkins, the call of the roll was dispensed with.

Under regular order, the following House bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Mozley——

A bill to establish a city court in the town of Camilla, in Mitchell county.

Upon motion of Mr. Blalock the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to abolish the city court of Spalding county.

The President ordered Rule 91 read.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, a call of the Senate was ordered.

The roll was again called.

The following is the call:

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wilcox.
Everett,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Gray,	Turner.
Carter,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th.
Cook,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flynt,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Geiger,		

There was no quorum present. •

Upon motion of Mr. Hopkins, the absentees were called and sent for.

The roll was again called.

Blalock,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Gray,	Turner.
Carter,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Cook,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Geiger,	Stevens,	

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Everett,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Westmoreland.

Present 26.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, Senator Carter was excused for being absent.

Upon motion of Mr. McFarland, Senator Sheffield was excused for being absent.

The following bill was taken from the table and put upon its passage:

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to establish a city court in Camilla.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to abolish the city court of Spalding county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. McDonald—

A bill to establish a city court in Gwinnett county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to protect fish in the waters of Lee county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Wight—

A bill to establish the county court of Dougherty county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to provide for issuing license to sell spirituous liquors in Bulloch county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Also, a bill to provide for compensation of ordinary in Bulloch county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Cook, House resolution was withdrawn from Finance Committee and recommitteed to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Montfort—

A bill to establish a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Taylor.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Also, a bill to amend the county court laws in Taylor county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking all of the words in section 2 of said bill after the word "county" in the fifth line of said section.

Mr. Blalock, chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill appropriating \$10,000 for establishing a textile department in the Technological School.

The committee recommends that the following resolution do pass, to wit:

A resolution to refund certain moneys to D. B. Leonard.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to appropriate \$4,917.43 to pay expenses of investigation of charges against Judges Reese and Sweat.

A bill to appropriate an additional amount for pensions of indigent soldiers.



The committee also recommend that the following resolution do pass, to wit:

A resolution appropriating \$914 for water-main at Lunatic Asylum.

A resolution appropriating \$1,800 to pay per diem and expenses of Blalock investigating committee.

A resolution appropriating \$280 to pay joint committee appointed to confer with president of board of trustees of University of Georgia.

A resolution appropriating \$87.26 to Commissioner of Pensions from December 15 to December 31, 1897.

A resolution appropriating \$500 to pay expert accountant.

The committee recommend that the following resolutions be read second time and recommitted, to wit:

A joint resolution to appropriate \$2,000, deficit in the Agricultural Department.

A joint resolution to pay porter \$50 for twenty-five days' service in the House.

A joint resolution providing for the payment of door-keeper in House appointed by joint resolution.

A resolution appropriating \$2,000 to repair the State capitol building.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman.

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to change the time of holding Colquitt fall term superior court.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Law—

A bill to prohibit the butchering of cattle, sheep and hogs under certain circumstances in Liberty county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Vaughn—

A bill to provide for the payment of ordinary in Twiggs county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Dickerson—

A bill to abolish the county court of Clinch county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to authorize town authorities of Perry to issue bonds.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Redding—

A bill to change the time of holding Pike superior court.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Habersham.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Morgan—

A bill to provide for a system of road-working in Bryan county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Bennett—

A bill to authorize the commissioners of roads and revenues to levy a special tax in the county of Glynn.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to fix the fees of constables in this State.

The bill was tabled.

The session was extended until 11:45 o'clock.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to authorize the mayor and town council of Cornelia to issue bonds.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Thomas—

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues for the county of Clarke.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Oakland.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in Tallulah river in Rabun county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Mozley—

A bill to establish a system of public schools in Austell, Cobb county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Edge—

A bill to create a board of commissioners of roads and revenues in the county of Marion.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended, by inserting after the word "county" in the 8th line of section 6 the following: "with-

in the limitations prescribed in section 1039 of the Penal Code of 1895."

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Monday, December 13th, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President pro tem.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Wooten,
Geiger,	Starr,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Allen,	Dunwody,	Stewart of the 34th.
Battle,	Goldin,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Westmoreland.
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Turner moved to reconsider the action of the Senate on Saturday on the following Senate bill, which was lost:

By Mr. Goldin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to pay money or other thing of value to secure election.

The bill was reconsidered.

The following Senate bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Fewellen—

A bill to prohibit any person or tramps from stealing rides on trains.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking from third and fourth lines of section 2 the words "in which said railroad may run and."

By Mr. Berner—

A bill to regulate the fees paid attorneys and receivers in certain cases.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brooke,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Everett,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th.
Golightly,	Thomson,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Battle,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Ayes 28. Nays 5.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill to provide for a complete return of taxes for this State.

Mr. Kilpatrick moved to table the bill, which motion was lost.

By unanimous consent, the Penitentiary Committee was excused to have a meeting.



Upon adopting the report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Mr. Turner moved to withdraw the call for ayes and nays, which motion was carried.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, the bill was tabled.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr President:*

The House has passed by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to incorporate the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Trion, in the county of Chattooga.

Also, a bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in the town of Raccoon.

Also, a bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga.

Also, a bill to repeal an act incorporating the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

Also, a bill to establish a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Chattooga.

Also, a bill to provide for the registration of voters in this State.

Also, a bill to repeal the act incorporating the town of Fairburn, and create a new one for the same.

The House has also passed the following bill of the Senate as amended:

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Brunswick.

Also, a bill to define the duties and to fix the compensation of the treasurer of Richmond county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Reidsville, in the county of Tatnall, and for other purposes.

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to fix the salaries of the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Irwin county.

Also, a bill to provide for ordinaries, *pro hac vice*

Also, a bill to repeal section 8 of an act amending the charter of the town of Jesup.

Also, a bill creating the city court of Macon.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Washington county

The House refused to concur in the Senate amendments to the following House bill:

A bill to amend an act incorporating the town of Newton, approved January 20th, 1872.

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to authorize Boards of County Commissioners to provide court-rooms for justice courts.

Also, a bill to repeal an act approved December 15th, providing for the holding of more than one office by one party, in Chatham county.

Also, a bill to repeal an act establishing a city court of DeKalb.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Superior Court in Terrell county.

Also, a bill to exempt from jury duty certain members of the Macon Light Infantry.

Also, a bill to amend an act regulating the sale of liquors in Tatnall county.

Also, a bill to authorize the city of Augusta to extend Cumming street across the right of way of the Georgia Railroad.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved December 12th, 1882, to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors in the county of Warren.

Also, a bill to amend an act providing for a Board of Commissioners for Greene county, approved February 19th, 1876.

Also, a bill to amend section 5 of an act to revive the office of State geologist, approved November 12th, 1887

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for a system for the town of Oxford.

Also, a bill to amend an act to provide for a system of public schools for Lumpkin, in Stewart county.

Also, a bill making it a penal offense for any person to set fire to grass or woods on the lands of another.

Also, a bill to permit the State to be sued in certain cases in the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a resolution to reimburse J. L. Horn, sheriff of Webster county.

Also, a bill to incorporate the village of Sunnyside.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding the Superior Court of Terrell county.

Also, a bill to amend paragraph 1 of section 3, to authorize solvent guarantee companies as surety upon certain bonds.

Also, a bill to amend an act providing for the appointment of the memorial board.

Also, a bill requiring life insurance companies of the State upon assessment plan to print on all their policies and benefit certificates.

The following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to abolish the city court of DeKalb county

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to authorize County Commissioners in their discretion to provide for court-rooms for justices of the peace to hold court in cities of over 60,000 inhabitants, and for other purposes.

Ordered engrossed.

By Mr. Bennett—

A bill to permit the State, as owner of the Northeastern Railroad, to sue in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Timmerman—

A resolution to reimburse J. H. Horn, sheriff of Webster county, for expenses incurred by him in defending himself in certain case.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Berry—

A bill to require corporations doing a business of life insurance in this State upon the assessment plan, to print it in their policies.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Kendrick—

A bill to change the time of holding Terrell county Superior Court.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Awtry—

A bill to create a board to be known as the State Memorial Board.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Grice—

A bill to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors in the county of Tatnall.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Davidson—

A bill to increase the number of commissioners of Greene county from three to five, and to elect them by the people.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the town of Sunnyside, in Spalding county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to exempt from jury duty certain members of the Macon Light Infantry.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Awtry—

A bill to amend section 5 of an act approved November 12th, 1889, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to make it a penal offense to set fire to grass or woods on the land of another.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to authorize the authorities of the city of Augusta to extend Cumming street.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hawes—

A bill to amend an act approved December 12, 1882, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Pace—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in Oxford, Newton county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to repeal an act approved December 15, in Chai

ham county, holding more than one office by the same person at one time.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Ellis—

A bill to amend an act establishing a system of public schools in Lumpkin, Stewart county.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend paragraph one of section 3, printed in the acts of 1896.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The privileges of the floor were extended to Mr. I. W. McCalla during his stay in the city

Also, to Hon. A. H. Smith of Greene county during his stay in the city.

Also to Hon. J. W. Robertson during his stay in the city.

Mr. Starr, chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:



A bill to require Coffee county to pay officers of the court the costs now allowed by law.

A bill to prevent tramps and others from stealing rides on railroads.

A bill to regulate attorneys' fees in receivers' cases.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 793, to amend the charter of the city of Columbus.

Respectfully submitted.

J F GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit :

House bill, No. 795, to amend the charter of Clayton.

House bill No. 809, to amend the charter of Tifton.

House bill No. 796, to amend the charter of Griffin.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following House resolutions were read the second time:

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A resolution appropriating \$10,000 to establish a textile department at State Technological School.

By Mr. Armstrong—

A resolution appropriating the sum of \$280 to compensate the committee of the House and Senate appointed to confer with the president of the State University.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution appropriating \$2,000 to pay deficit in the exhibit of Georgia at the Tennessee Centennial.

Also, a resolution to provide for an assistant doorkeeper in the House for the year 1897.

By Mr. Whitaker—

A resolution to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the Treasury for \$2,000 to repair the capitol building.

By Mr. Charters—

A resolution to pay David Heard \$50 for services as porter at session of 1897

By Mr. Taylor—

A resolution to appropriate \$914 to complete a water main at the lunatic asylum.

By Mr. Blalock—

A resolution to appropriate \$1,800 to pay expenses of special investigating committee.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$500 for expert accountant.

By Mr. Reese—

A resolution to pay Richard Johnson, Commissioner of Pensions, one month's salary.

Mr. Comas, Chairman of Committee appointed to visit School for Deaf and Dumb, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your committee appointed to visit the school at Cave Spring for Deaf and Dumb beg to submit the following report:

Your committee visited Cave Spring on the 11th inst., and made a careful and thorough inspection of this, one of Georgia's greatest and noblest institutions. We find that the appropriation so generously made at the last session of

the Legislature has been properly expended. Especially do we commend the appropriation for the painting of the buildings, which has been done under the supervision of the worthy board of trustees, and has done more to improve the general *ensemble* of this institution than all else that has been done. We also find that in addition to the painting of the buildings, the electric lighting, steam heating, and equipment of the shop with necessary machines has been done; and we again cannot too strongly recommend that the pupils be taught a trade, so that when they leave the school they will be thoroughly equipped with a trade by which they will be able to support themselves, instead of being objects of charity and a charge to their relatives. We find that the steam heating plant constructed there suffered some damage, due to the cause that the brick building which has been since built was not there, and the plant being exposed to the weather, the furnace collapsed from the rain falling upon it while hot. We earnestly recommend that the appropriation of one thousand dollars be made to build the same, which is now before the Appropriations Committee. We also recommend that our State make the following appropriations as soon as can practically be done, to more thoroughly equip and provide for this worthy school:

Dining-room and industrial room for girls, \$15,000.

Amount necessary to complete the electric lighting and steam heating for colored building, \$4,000.

Gymnasium and bathing pool for the boys, \$6,000.

Amount necessary to build and equip addition to colored school, \$5,000.

Making an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars necessary to place this school in a position where it will be a model for all schools of this class within the Southern States. We earnestly recommend that the appropriation to build an addition to the colored department be made as soon as possible, as your committee found twenty-two colored girls forced to sleep in a small room and on ten beds, which we think should be changed, as each pupil should occupy a single bed, and the capacity of the rooms should not be crowded, as it is a prolific source of disease. We also recommend the bathing pool as a proper hygienic improvement, which would do away with the present custom of several bathing in the same tub and water. From a sanitary point, we earnestly recommend this improvement.

Your committee cannot too strongly commend the management of this school under the efficient management of the worthy principal, Wesley O. Connor, aided and assisted by his able corps of assistants and teachers. The continuous care and patience necessary to instruct these poor unfortunate children of "silence," to enable them to become worthy men and women should commend itself to every person in our State, and meet with their hearty approval and support, and we, as the representatives of the people of Georgia, convey to the principal and his teachers our approval and commendation, and assure them that Georgia owes them a debt of gratitude which can never be paid.

Respectfully submitted.

P. H. COMAS,  
Chairman Committee Georgia School for the Deaf.

Under the regular order, the following House bills were read third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to establish a city court in Griffin, Spalding county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Messrs. Moore and Cole—

A bill to abolish the city court of Carroll county

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Also, a bill to establish a city court in Carrollton, in Carroll county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking from section 15 the words "and all claims when personal property is levied on under process from the superior court of said county" Amend section 24 by inserting the word "court" after the word "city" in the 20th line of said section. Amend by substituting section 28 for 18, as section number of the next section after section 27

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to incorporate the town of Clarksville, in the county of Habersham.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 711 was tabled.

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to incorporate the city of Toccoa, in the county of Hall.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Columbus.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24; nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, in the county of Bulloch.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional ma-

majority, was passed as amended, by striking therefrom the whole of sections 3 and 4 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 3. Be it further enacted, That should the said mayor and council exercise the authority vested in them by section 2 of this act, and any person should thereafter be convicted before the said mayor of keeping for sale contrary to the provisions of this act, or of maintaining a public places mentioned in said act, or of maintaining a public nuisance as therein described, such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 for every day that such liquors are shown to have been kept for illegal sale or such nuisance maintained, or be worked upon the streets or other public works of said town for not more than six months, or confined in the town prison for not more than six months; and the said mayor may, in his discretion, impose upon the person so convicted any one or more of these penalties.

Amend further by striking 5 and inserting 4 as the number of the last section of said bill.

By Mr. Oliver—

A bill to provide for the payment of constables for transmitting prisoners to the county jail.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.



By Mr. Hamby—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Clayton, in the county of Rabun.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Sheffield, the Senate receded from the amendment offered by it to House bill No. 505.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Goldin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to pay money or other things of value to secure election.

Upon the passage of the bill, Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	McFarland,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Starr,
Carter,	Golightly,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Gray,	Turner,
Flewellen,	Hopkins,	Wooten.

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Dunwody,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Mr. President.
Cook,	Stevens,	

Ayes 15. Nays 21.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, the Senate is to meet at 3 o'clock this evening.

The following bill was taken from the table, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow the hotel keepers at Salt Springs to sell spirituous or malt liquors to their guests only.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock this evening.

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3 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment, at 3 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The unfinished business was a bill by

Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow hotel keepers and proprietors at Salt Springs to sell spirituous and intoxicating liquors to their guests only.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Gray called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Ham,	Turner.
Carter,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th.
Gray,	Redwine,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Goldin,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Dunwoody,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Flynt,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Ayes 22. Nays 10.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

Mr. Golightly gave notice that he would move to reconsider the bill just lost.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Educational Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the House with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to authorize County Boards of Education to provide books for the use of common schools.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

Mr. Stewart of 34th, Chairman of Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Banks have had under consideration the following Senate bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to amend section 2391 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART, Chairman.

The following Senate bill was read second time:

By Mr. Thomas—

A bill to authorize County Boards of Education to provide books for the use of common schools.

The following Senate bill was taken up to concur in House amendment:

By Mr. Hopkins—

A bill to elect judges and solicitors-general by the people. The amendments were adopted. They are as follows:

First amendment: Amend first by striking out of the caption the words "their respective judicial circuits" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the whole State."

Second amendment: Amend section 1 by striking out of the twelfth line thereof the words "their respective judicial circuits" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the whole State."

Third amendment: Amend section 3 by striking out of the thirteenth line thereof the words "their respective judicial circuit" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the whole State."

Fourth amendment: Amend by adding at the end of section 1 the following proviso: Provided that the successors for all incumbents whose terms expire on or before the first day of January, 1899, shall be elected by the General Assembly at its session for 1898 for the full term of four years.

Fifth amendment: Amend by adding at the end of sec-

tion 3 the following proviso: Provided that the successors for all incumbents whose terms expire on or before the first day of January, 1899, shall be elected by the General Assembly at its session for 1898 for the full term of four years.

The bill as amended in the House is as follows:

An act to amend paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 of article 6, and paragraph 1 of section 2 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State, so as to provide for the election of judges of the Superior Courts and solicitors-general by the electors of the whole State.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same, That paragraph 2 of section 3 of article 6 of of the Constitution of this State be amended so that the same shall read as follows, to wit: The successors to the present and subsequent incumbent shall be elected by the electors, entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly of the whole State, at the general election held for such members next preceding the expiration of their respective terms; provided that the successors for all incumbents whose terms expire on or before the first day of January, 1899, shall be elected by the General Assembly at its session for 1898 for the full term of four years.

Section 2. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State be amended so that said paragraph shall read as follows, to wit: "The terms of the judges to be elected under the Constitution (except to fill vacancies),

shall begin on the first Monday of January after their election. Every vacancy occasioned by death, resignation, or other causes, shall be filled by appointment of the Governor until the first day of January after the general election held next after the expiration of thirty days from the time such vacancy occurs, at which election a successor for the unexpired term shall be elected.

Section 3. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That paragraph 1 of section 2 of article 6 of the Constitution of this State be amended so that the same shall read as follows, to wit: "There shall be a solicitor-general for each judicial circuit, whose official term (except to fill a vacancy) shall be four years. The successors of present and subsequent incumbents shall be elected by the electors of the whole State qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly at the general election held next preceding the expiration of their respective terms. Every vacancy occasioned by death, resignation, or other cause, shall be filled by appointment of the Governor until the first day of January after the general election held next after the expiration of thirty days from the time such vacancy occurs, at which election a successor for the unexpired term shall be elected; provided, that the successors for all incumbents whose terms expire on or before the first day of January, 1899, shall be elected by the General Assembly at its session for 1898 for the full term of four years.

Section 4. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That whenever the above proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be agreed to by two-thirds of the

members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the Governor shall, and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cause said amendments to be published in at least two newspapers in each congressional district in this State for the period of two months next preceding the time for holding the next general election.

Section 5. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the above proposed amendments shall be submitted for ratification or rejection of the electors of this State at the next general election to be held after publication as provided for in the fourth section of this act, in the several districts of this State, at which election every person shall be qualified to vote who is entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly. All persons voting at said election in favor of adopting the proposed amendments, or either of them, to the Constitution of this State, shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For ratification of the amendment of paragraph 2 of section 3, article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of judges of the Superior Courts by the people); "For ratification of amendment of paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of judges of the Superior Courts by the people); "For ratification of amendment of paragraph 1 of section 2 of article 6 of the Constitution" (for election of solicitors-general by the people); and all persons opposed to adoption of said amendments, or either of them, shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the ratification of amendment of paragraph 2 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (against election of judges of the Superior Courts by the people); "Against



ratification of the amendment of paragraph 3 of section 3 of article 6 of the Constitution" (against the election of judges of Superior Courts by the people); "Against ratification of amendment of paragraph 1 of section 2 of article 6 of the Constitution" (against the election of solicitors-general by the people).

Section 6. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide for the submission of the foregoing proposed amendments to the Constitution of this State to a vote of the people as required by the Constitution of this State in paragraph 1 of section 1 of article 13, and by this act; and if either be ratified the Governor shall, when he ascertains such ratification from the Secretary of State, to whom the returns shall be referred in the same manner as in case of elections for members of the General Assembly to count and ascertain the result, issue his proclamation for one insertion in one of the daily papers of this State announcing such result and declaring the amendment or amendments ratified.

Section 7 Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

Mr. Stewart, Chairman of Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Banks have had under consideration the following bill of the Senate, which they instruct me

to report back with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended:

A bill to provide for incorporating companies to insure against burglary, robbery, etc.

The Committee also recommends that the following House bill do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART, Chairman.

The following Senate bill was read third time:

By Mr. Stewart of the 34th—

A bill to amend section 2391 of the Code of 1895.

Upon motion of Mr. Comas, the bill was tabled.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 96 was withdrawn by the author.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill was read third time:

By Mr. Berner (by request)—

A bill to provide for the incorporation of insurance companies with power to insure against robbery, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

First amendment: Add at the beginning of section 1 the following words: "Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid."

Second amendment: Add at the beginning of all other sections of the bill the following words: "Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid."

Making an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars nec-

Add the following, to be known as section 8:

Section 8. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act be, and the same are, hereby repealed.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the admission and license to do business in this State of any insurance company organized and incorporated on the mutual plan under the laws of this State, or any other State of the United States, for the purpose of insuring against loss or damage resulting from burglary, robbery, or attempt thereat, and insuring against the loss of money and securities in course of transportation when shipped by registered mail, and for other purposes.

The following House bills were read third time:

By Mr. Thomas—

A bill to amend section 20 of the charter of the city of Waycross.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Brannen—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro, to establish a dispensary in said town, and for other purposes.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Little—

A bill to amend section 2350 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to authorize a judicial sale of the purchase of insolvent private corporations, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Little—

A bill vesting certain rights to the Columbus Power Company to the Ohattahoochee river.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend section 1 by adding to the end of said section the words, "provided, that in so far as practicable all improvements constructed by said Columbus Power Company shall be within the limits of the State of Georgia.

By Mr. Calhoun—

A bill to amend the act creating the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for the county of Montgomery.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to amend section 5057 of the Code of 1895. "

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for admission to the bar in this State.

Amendments were adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the Germania Loan and Banking Company of the city of Atlanta.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Bowden of Habersham—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Demorest, in the county of Habersham.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House resolution, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A resolution to appropriate compensation to Penitentiary Committee.

The Committee recommends that the following resolution of the House be read the second time and recommitted to same committee, to wit:

A resolution to reimburse J. L. Horn, sheriff of Webster county, certain moneys.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman.

By Mr. Dickerson—

A bill to change the time of holding the Superior Courts of Clinch and Charlton counties.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Amend by inserting before the words "the Superior Court" wherever it appears in section 1 the words "the fall term of."

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Tifton.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Bowden—

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Demorest, in Habersham county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, the nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to amend an act establishing the county courts of Dougherty and Lee.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by inserting the word "court" after the word "county" in eighth line of section 1.

By Mr. Gowen—

A bill to provide for the payment of juries and bailiffs in the county of Charlton.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate adjourned until 7:30 o'clock to-night.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 7:30 o'clock.

Was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Cook, Chairman Committee on Penitentiary, submitted the following report:



*Mr. President:*

Your committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 582, entitled "An act to create a prison commission, etc.

PHILIP COOK, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate took a recess for twenty minutes.

At 7:50 o'clock the Senate was again called to order.

Upon motion of Mr. Ham, the Senate went into executive session at 7:52 o'clock.

One hundred copies of the penitentiary bill was ordered provided as amended.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 85 was withdrawn by author.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to amend section 5 of an act approved November 12th, 1889.

Also, a bill requiring corporations doing a life insurance business in the State upon the assessment plan to have certain words printed on their policies.

The Committee also recommend that the following House bill pass as amended:

A bill to amend section 1703 of the Code of 1882.

The committee also recommend that the following House bill be withdrawn upon motion:

A bill to repeal an act establishing the city court of DeKalb county.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 759, to incorporate the town of Birmingham.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The unfinished business is House bill

By Mr. Wilcox—

A bill to establish a new charter for the town of Abbeville.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following House bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for admission to the bar in this State.

Mr. Golightly moved to reconsider the action of the Senate in adopting the amendment, and called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Witcher.
Geiger,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Flynt,		

Ayes 14. Nays 20.

The motion, not having received the requisite majority, was lost.

Mr. Turner moved to reconsider the action of the Senate in agreeing to the report of the committee, which motion was carried.

Mr. Berner moved to reconsider the action of the Senate in adopting the amendments, which motion was carried.

Mr. Walker of the 18th moved to lay the bill on the table. The motion was lost.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 4.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following House resolution was read third time:

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution to appoint a committee of fifteen citizens of the State to exhibit the State's resources at the Trans-Mississippi International Exposition, to be held in Omaha, Nebraska, 1898.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 23, nays 2.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Golightly moved to suspend the rules of the Senate to reconsider the following bill, No. 157:

The motion was carried.

The bill was reconsidered.

The bill is as follows:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to allow the proprietors of the hotels at Salt Springs to sell spirits to their guests only.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Gray called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Strother,
Battle,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Comas,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Gray,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.

Ayes 23. Nays 12.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 805, which I am instructed to report back with a recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to create a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Monroe county, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Engrossing Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to incorporate insurance companies who insure against robbery and burglary.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

The following Senate bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Flewellen—

A bill to make proper tax returns in this State.

Mr. Walker of the 18th moved to reconsider the action of the Senate on agreeing to the report of committee, so as to offer an amendment, which motion was carried.

Mr. Thomason moved to table the bill. The motion was lost.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Comas called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Culver,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Everett,	Starr,
Blalock,	Flewellen,	Strother,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Turner,
Brooke,	Golightly,	Walker of the 18th,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Mann,	Wooten.
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Geiger,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Gray,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Stevens,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Hopkins,		

Ayes 23. Nays 11.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

First amendment: Amend first by adding between the last line on first page and first line on second page the following, to wit: "What is the value of the shares of stock of the building association, or of the building and loan association, of which you are president, manager, or agent, upon which no loans have been made secure by liens on real estate.

Second amendment: Amend by striking all of the four last lines of section 1.

Third amendment: Amend by striking from lines fifteen and sixteen of section 5 the following words: "I have also filed a list of the debts due me, except open accounts, as required by law."

Fourth amendment: Amend by striking all of sections 3 and 4.

Fifth amendment: Amend by striking from section 6 all after the word "retain" in seventh line of said section.

Sixth amendment: Amend section 1 by inserting after the word "own" in nineteenth and twenty-third lines the words "in this county."



Seventh amendment: Amend by adding after the word "own" in the twenty-first line, second page, of section 1 the words "in this county."

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was put upon its passage:

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues in the county of Monroe.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking from section 4 all after the word "commissioners," and when it first occurs in the sixth line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "That said commissioners, while acting as such, are disqualified from holding any other county office, but they may be members of the General Assembly, and may elect one of their number superintendent of public roads for said county, whose duty shall be defined by a majority of said board, and whose salary shall also be fixed by a majority of said board, and said commissioners may be officers of the militia, and are exempt from road and jury duty."

Amend further by striking from section 5 in the fifth line of said section the words "no per diem," and insert the following words in lieu thereof: "the same per diem as allowed the other commissioners."

Amend by adding an additional section to be known as section 9.

Section 9. Be it further enacted, That this act shall not become operative until the same has been voted upon and adopted by the qualified voters of said county of Monroe, and at the general election to be held in October, 1898, the question of the acceptance or rejection of the act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said county, and those in favor of the adoption of this act shall have written or printed upon their ballots "For the new law," and those opposed shall have written or printed upon their ballots "Against the new law," and if a majority of the qualified voters at an election shall cast their votes "for the new law," then the act shall become operative immediately upon the declaration of the result as hereinafter provided. If a majority of the qualified voters shall cast their votes "against the new law," then the present law shall remain of force, and this act shall be of no effect. The election provided for in this section shall be held as near as practicable, and conducted, and the result declared in accordance with the provisions of section 1545 of the 1st volume of the Code, and any contest thereof shall be conducted as provided for in section 1546 of the 1st volume of the Code. At such general election the qualified voters of said county shall also vote for or select the five commissioners provided for in this act, and if this act should be adopted the said commissioners shall take and hold office as herein provided, but if this act should be neglected the commissioners at that time in office shall continue to hold office as provided for in the present law. Amend by making the repealing clause section 10.

By unanimous consent, the following bills were taken from the table and read third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Shropshire—

A bill to regulate the sale of dynamite, nitroglycerin and other explosive substances in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 1.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by striking from seventh line of the 1st section, and fourth and fifth lines of section 2, the word "explosive," and substitute for the word so stricken the word "blasting."

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 107 was withdrawn by author.

By unanimous consent, the following Senate bill, with adverse report from committee, was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Golightly—

A bill to require the publication of verdicts of juries in Superior Courts of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 15, nays 12.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 93 was withdrawn by the author.

The following Senate bill was taken from the table, read third time, and put upon its passage:

By Mr. McFarland—

A bill to prohibit the felling or cutting of trees in water-courses and streams of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended, by adding at the end of section 1 the following: "without removing said trees from said streams or water-courses within twenty-four hours after felling the same therein."

The following House resolution was taken from the table, read third time, and put upon its passage:

By Mr. McGehee—

A resolution memorializing Congress to enact a law for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of sixteen to one.

Upon the passage of the resolution Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Geiger,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Golightly,	Turner,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 1st,
Cook,	McFarland,	Witcher.
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Van Buren.
Ham,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody.	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Gray,		

Ayes 21. Nays 7.

The resolution was passed.

By Mr. Culver—

A bill to prescribe the time and place of filing the official laws of county officers in the various counties of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 12, nays 16.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Senate to employ five porters for the present session.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Hill—

A bill to change the name of the Coweta circuit to Carrollton judicial circuit.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1703 of the Code of 1882.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Westmoreland and Dunwody, on account of sickness.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Tuesday, December 14th, 1897, 10 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Senator Atkinson.

Upon the call of the roll, the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hudson,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Van Buren,

Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th.
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Geiger,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Stevens,	Westmoreland.
Dunwody,		

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to correct the confusion caused by the adoption of the stock-law in militia districts.

Also, a bill to amend section 580 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to repeal section 3 of an act providing for the incorporating of towns and villages, approved February 28th, 1874.

Also, a bill to protect electric companies, and for other purposes.

Also, a bill to authorize the sale of the Northeastern Railroad.

Also, a bill to amend an act approved December 24th, 1896, to levy and collect a tax for the support of the State government.

Also, a bill to provide fines in form of contractions.

Also, a bill to further define the incompetency of certain persons as witnesses.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Lake Park.

The House has adopted the following resolutions, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution instructing the joint committee to investigate the office of the State Treasurer.

Also, a resolution instructing our Senators in Congress, and requiring our representatives to use their votes in procuring better seeds and plants for distribution.

Also, a resolution memorializing Congress to enact legislation to place quarantine matters in Georgia under the Marine Hospital service.

Also, a resolution to appropriate the sum of \$60 to pay the pension of Amanda Thornton.

Also, a resolution to pay the Clerk of the House and Assistant Secretary of the Senate for preparing and mailing a statement of the status of business of 1896.

Also, a resolution requesting our United States Senators,



Congressmen, Governors, etc., to furnish the State Librarian life-size portraits, to be hung on the walls of the capitol.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendment to the substitute by the House to the following Senate bill:

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Thomasville.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to amend the charter of the town of Statesboro.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of Fitzgerald.

Also, a bill to amend an act to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city court of Savannah.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners for the county of Washington.

Also, a bill to amend the charter of the town of Whigham.

Also, a bill to create a Board of Commissioners for the county of Marion.

Also, a bill creating the city court of Macon.

Also, a bill to amend the county court of Taylor county.

Also, a bill to repeal section 8, amending the charter of Jesup.

The House has also passed the following Senate bills:

A bill to authorize the State Librarian to deliver to judges of the United States court certain volumes of Georgia Reports.

Also, a bill to amend section 1643, volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of land under claim of title to set off value of improvements.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken from the table and put upon its passage:

By Mr. Burwell—

A bill to authorize the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues to pay to certain officers insolvent criminal costs, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 30, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 714, to incorporate the Cartecay and Ellijay Telephone Company.

House bill No. 642, to amend an act approved Decem-

ber 15th, 1894, to prevent the holding of more than one office by any person in Chatham county.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Pearce—

A resolution to authorize the State Librarian to hang certain portraits in the capitol if delivered to him.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Clark—

A bill to authorize the County School Commissioners to adopt books to be used in common schools of this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0:

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bills, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same be read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Corporations:

House bill No. 738, to amend an act providing for the election of County Commissioners of Greene county.

House bill No. 829, to incorporate the village of Sunnyside.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through his Secretary, Mr. Warren, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass as amended, to wit:

House bill No. 810, providing for suits against the Northeastern Railroad, the property of the State, in certain cases.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 363, to amend the charter of Waycross.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 827, to authorize the city of Augusta to extend Cumming street across the right of way of the Georgia Railroad and Banking Company.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 169 was withdrawn by author.

The following House bill was read second time:

By Mr. Knowles—

A bill to authorize the County Commissioners to provide court-rooms for justices of the peace in cities of over 60,000 inhabitants.

The following House bill was read second time, and re-committed to Committee on Corporations:

By Mr. Davison—

A bill to amend an act creating a Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues for Greene county, so as to increase the number from three to five, and elect them by the people.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to incorporate the town of Sunnyside, in Spalding county.

The following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Craig—

A bill to amend an act authorizing blind Confederate soldiers to peddle without license, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. Knowles—

A resolution memorializing Congress in reference to yellow fever in the South.

Ordered engrossed.

By Mr. West—

A bill to amend, revise, and consolidate the several acts incorporating the town of Lake Park, in Lowndes county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to authorize the sale of the Northeastern Railroad.

Referred to Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Phinizy—

A bill to repeal section 3 of an act of the General Assembly approved February 28th, 1874.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to define the incompetency of witnesses in certain cases.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution directing that a sum of money be paid to Clerk of House and Assistant Secretary of the Senate for mailing the unfinished business to the members of the General Assembly, 1896.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution to appropriate \$60.00 to pay pension of Amanda Thornton.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution requesting our Senators and representatives in Congress to use their influence in wiser and more liberal legislation in the matter of purchasing rare and valuable seeds for distribution.

Read and concurred in.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to protect electric companies.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to amend section 580 of the first volume of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to repeal paragraphs 3 and 4 of section 2801 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Special Judiciary.

The following House resolution was read and adopted:



By Mr. Little—

A resolution instructing the sub-committee of the joint Finance Committee of the House and Senate to investigate the State Treasury and report to the Governor.

The following House bill was read second time:

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to authorize the city of Augusta to extend Cumming street across the right of way of the Georgia Railroad and Banking Company.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

Mr. Starr, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The committee have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following bill, to wit:

A bill to provide a plan for better tax returns of this State.

Respectfully submitted.

O. N. STARR, Chairman.

The following House resolution was read third time:

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution appropriating compensation for the Penitentiary Committee.

This resolution, carrying an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Ham,	Strother,
Comas,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox.
Everett,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Flynt,	Redwine,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.
Castleberry,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Dunwody,	Stevens,	Westmoreland,
McFarland,	Walker of the 18th	Mr. President.

Ayes 28. Nays 10.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to change the time of holding Superior Court of Terrell county.

A bill to exempt from jury duty certain members of Macon Light Infantry.

A bill to amend the public school system of Oxford, in Newton county.

A bill to amend an act to create the State Memorial Board.

A bill to amend the public school system of Lumpkin, in Stewart county.

A bill to make it a penal offense for any person to set fire to grass or woods of another.

The Committee recommend that the author be allowed to withdraw the following bill, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Clarkesville.

The committee recommend that the following bill do not pass:

A bill to require Dougherty county to pay to officers of the court certain costs.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of Committee on Enrolling, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrolling have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives the following joint resolution, to wit:

A resolution providing that Sunday, December 12th, be declared a *dies non* for the General Assembly, and that no per diem be charged for that day.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

The following House resolution was read second time:

By Mr. Timmerman—

A resolution returning to J. L. Horn, sheriff of Webster county, \$60.00 for amount paid out by him for defending himself in a certain case.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read third time:

By Special Committee—

A bill to provide for a prison commission for the State of Georgia.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the bill was considered by sections in adopting committee amendments.

By Mr. Hopkins—

Resolved, That the debate on any section, amendment or substitute be limited to five minutes.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

By Mr. Golightly—

Resolved, That the debate on any of the amendments, substitutes and sections be limited to ten minutes.

Referred to Committee on Rules.

Upon motion of Mr. Berner, when the Senate adjourns it is to meet again at 3 o'clock.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the session was extended until 1:15 o'clock.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

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3 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 3 o'clock, and was called to order by the President pro tem.

By unanimous consent, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Upon motion of Mr. Gougntly, the following House bills were read second time:

By Mr. Kendrick—

A bill to change the time of holding Terrell Superior Court.

By Mr. Ellis—

A bill to amend the system of public schools in the city of Lumpkin, in Stewart county

By Mr. Pace—

A bill to amend an act providing a system of public schools in the town of Oxford.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill exempting from jury duty certain members of the Macon Light Infantry.

By Mr. Awtry—

A bill to create a board to be known as the State Memorial Board.

By Mr. Awtry (by request)—

A bill to amend section 5 of an act approved November 12th, 1889.

By Mr. Berry—

A bill requiring corporations doing a life insurance business in the State to have printed on their policies certain words.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to make it a penal offense to set fire to grass or woods on another's land.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman Committee on Special Judiciary, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration House bill No. 656, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to repeal the city court of Monroe county.

Also, House bill No. 657, which I am instructed to report that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to establish the city court of Forsyth.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

Mr. Starr, Chairman pro tem. of the Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

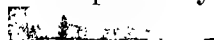
*Mr. President:*

The Engrossing Committee have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill to regulate the sale and distribution of dynamite, nitroglycerin, and other explosive substances in this State.

Also, a bill to prevent the felling or cutting of trees in watercourses or streams in this State.

Respectfully submitted.



O. N. STARR, Chairman pro tem.

The following House resolution was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Armstrong—

Appropriating \$280.00 to pay the expenses of the joint committee from the Senate and House to confer with the President of the State University

The bill being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called upon its passage:

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Turner,
Carter,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Geiger.	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Everett,	Thomson,
Comas,	Gray,	Walker of the 1st,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 32. Nays 0.



The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following resolutions in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution appropriating \$612.22 to pay for the survey of the W & A. R. R.

Also, a resolution to appropriate \$17.00 to pay the expenses of the committee for taking testimony in the Clay county contested election case.

Also, a resolution to pay Mrs. Joseph Cohen of Troup county.

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to establish a city court in Forsyth, Monroe county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend section 11 by striking therefrom the words "first Monday in March, June, September, and December," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "second Monday in January, April, July, and October;" and by striking from said section the words "first Monday of each" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "second Monday in each."

Amend section 31 by adding at the end thereof "provided, that all suits and all processes, whether mesne or final, returnable to the December, 1897, term of the city court of Monroe county, be, and the same are, hereby made returnable to the January, 1898, term of the city court of Forsyth, and in all cases in the city court of Monroe when the judgment term would be the December, 1897, term, the judgment term in the city court of Forsyth shall be the January term, 1898."

Amend by striking out all of section 35 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Section 35. That for all able-bodied male convicts from said city court who are taken charge of by the County Commissioners, and by them put to work on the public roads of said county, the said County Commissioners shall pay into the county treasury \$2.00 for each month for which the convict was sentenced. That for all other convicts placed on said public roads they shall pay into the county treasury such sum as may seem to them reasonable and right; said money shall be by the treasurer of the county paid to the proper officers on their insolvent lists according to the appropriations established.

Amend section 4 by striking therefrom the words "the next general State election" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "January 1st, 1899," and by striking from said section the words "the next general election" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "the first day of January succeeding the next general election."

Amend section 5 by striking the words "Monroe county" where they occur in the fourth line from the end of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words "this State."

Amend section 6 by striking therefrom the words "next general election" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "January 1st, 1899," and by striking therefrom the words "said general election" and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "January 1st, 1899," and by striking from said section the words "for every case finally disposed of in said city court founded on accusation \$10.00; for every case of a violation of the criminal laws of this State \$25.00," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "for each accusation drawn in said city court \$5.00 and his fees for prosecution."

Amend section 7 by striking therefrom the words "next general State election" where they occur in the sixth and seventh lines of said section, and where they occur in the eighth and ninth lines thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "January 1st, 1899," and by striking between the words "the" and "next" in the twelfth line of said section the words "first day of January succeeding the."

By law the clerk of said city court shall keep two lists, one of the criminal cases transferred from the Superior Court, and the other of criminal cases originating in said city court, which lists shall show the names of the defendants, the disposition of cases, the amount of costs to which each officer is entitled, the amount of fine, and the amount of same paid each officer, and on the second Mon-

day of each month he shall make a report to the judge, and if the lists are found correct and the money appropriated according to law the judge shall approve said lists; if incorrect, he shall correct them and approve them. When said lists have been approved they shall be recorded on the minutes of said court. In the event the present system of road-working in said county is abolished, then the convicts from said city court shall be disposed of as is or may be provided by law.

Amend section 36 by striking therefrom "said county on the first Monday in each month," and insert in lieu thereof the words "of Forsyth on the first second Monday next succeeding the commitment trial," and they shall make out and send up with the commitment a correct bill of the costs in the justice court.

Amend section 39 by striking therefrom the words "five dollars to be collected and paid as other costs in the city court," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "the same as now or may hereafter be fixed by law," and the solicitor-general of the circuit embracing the county of Monroe shall have the privileges of prosecuting all cases transferred from the city court of Monroe county and the Superior Court, and the fees, fines and forfeitures in said cases shall be, after paying the costs of the particular case in which the funds are raised, paid to the solicitor-general, the sheriff, and the clerk of the city and Superior Court, and the justices and constables, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law

Amend by striking out all of section 40 and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "The judge, solicitor, and clerk of said court shall be elected every two years, at the same elections, by the same electors, and under the same regulations and restrictions as members of the Legislature are elected. The result shall be declared as in case of other county officers, and in case of contest the method shall be as is provided by law for contests in case of other county officers. The judge, solicitor, and clerk of said court shall be commissioned by the Governor.

By Messrs. Rutherford and Worsham—

A bill to abolish the city court of Monroe county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following House resolution was read first time:

By Special Joint Finance Committee—

A resolution to appropriate \$612.22 for special civil engineers for W & A. R. R.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Burwell—

A resolution to appropriate \$17.00 to contest committee in Clay county.

Referred to Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Longley—

A resolution appropriating \$30.00 to Mrs. Joseph Cohen as a pension under the act of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Pensions.

At 4 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

The following House bill was read third time to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Thomas—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Wavercross so as to establish a system of sewerage and drainage of said city.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Privileges of the floor were extended to Mrs. Whitney of New York, and Miss Reid of Putnam, during their stay in the city.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the following resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the Governor to borrow money to supply any casual deficiencies.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of Committee on Enrolling, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrolling have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives the following act, to wit:

An act to give certain rights to defendants *bona fide* in possession of lands to set off under claim title the value of improvements, and to recover the value of the same.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Unfinished business was a bill by Special Committee to provide for a Penitentiary Commission.

Leave of absence was granted Messrs. Van Buren, Redwine, Stewart of 27th, and Carter, for to-night's session.

Mr. Battle moved to adjourn until 8 o'clock, which motion was carried.

The Senate stood adjourned until 8 o'clock.

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8 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 8 o'clock, and was called to order by the President pro tem.

Upon motion of Mr. Cook, the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bills, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to define the incompetency of certain persons as witnesses.

A bill to protect electric companies.

A bill to amend an act relative to guaranty companies.

A bill to amend an act approved December 12th, 1882.

The committee recommends that the following bills be referred back for second reading, and be recommitted:

A bill to provide for liens in favor of contractors.

A bill to amend section 580 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

The committee recommend that the following bills of the House do not pass, to wit:

A bill to correct the confusion caused by adoption of stock-law in militia districts.

A bill to amend an act regulating the sale of liquor in Tatnall county.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.



The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following House bill by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to prescribe the grade of fertilizers.

Also, a bill to prohibit dynamiting in Georgia.

Also, a resolution making an appropriation for the balance due for the publication of the Code of 1895.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the House:

A bill to regulate the sale of prison-made goods in this State.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill, to wit:

A bill to require all promissory notes or other contracts taken for the purchase price of patents to have expressed on the face of same the article or thing, otherwise the same shall be void, and the same subject to all the equities existing between the original parties.

By unanimous consent, the following House resolutions were read first time:

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution appropriating money to pay balance due on the Code.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Freeman—

A resolution authorizing the Governor to borrow money to supply deficiencies needed before next session.

Referred to Committee on Finance.

Also, the following House bills were read first time:

By Mr. Bartlett—

A bill to prohibit the destroying of property by dynamite, nitroglycerin, or other explosive substances, in the State.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to prescribe three grades of commercial fertilizers in this State

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Awtry—

A bill to regulate the sale of prison-made goods in this State.

Referred to Committee on Manufactories.

By Mr. Cannon—

A bill requiring all promissory notes or contracts taken for patent rights to express the force thereof.

Referred to Committee on General Judiciary.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to amend section 1844 of the Code of 1895.

Referred to Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize and empower county and municipal authorities to enact regulations or ordinances to provide for enforcing vaccination, and for other purposes.

Referred to Committee on Hygiene and Sanitation.

Privileges of the floor were extended to Hon. C. R. Woolsey during his stay in the city.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bills by the requisite constitutional majority:

A bill to amend section 1844 of the Code of 1895.

Also, a bill to authorize county and municipal authorities to enact rules for the government of vaccination, and to enforce same.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of Finance Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to appropriate \$320.00 to school-book commission.

The committee recommend that the following resolutions do pass, to wit:

A resolution appropriating \$150.00 to pay the elevator boy.

A resolution appropriating \$2,000.00 for expenses of committees visiting convict camps.

Respectfully submitted.

BLALOCK, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House resolutions, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass:

A resolution appropriating \$2,000.00 to supply a deficit in agricultural department.

A resolution appropriating \$2,000.00 to repair capitol building.

A resolution appropriating \$3,400.00 to erect fire walls for Lunatic Asylum.

A resolution providing for payment of assistant door-keeper for House.

A bill appropriating \$1,000.00 for the purpose of building a boiler house at the Georgia School for the Deaf at Cave Spring.

STEVENS, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House resolutions, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A resolution appropriating payment for balance due on Code.

A resolution to reimburse the sheriff of Webster county certain moneys.

The committee recommend that the following House resolutions be read second time and recommitted, to wit:

A resolution directing that a certain sum of money be paid the Clerk of the House and Assistant Secretary of the Senate for special work.

A resolution to appropriate \$17.00 for costs in contest case in Clay county.

A resolution appropriating \$60.00 for pension of Amanda Thornton.

Respectfully submitted.

STEVENS, Chairman.

Unfinished business was a bill by Special Committee to create a prison commission in this State.

Upon motion of Mr. Starr, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock.

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Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Ga.

Wednesday, December 15, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Upon call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Geiger,	Starr,
Brinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Ham,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Everett,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wooten,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.

Those absent were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Strother,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland.
Dunwody,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Stewart (of the 34th), chairman of the Committee on Banks, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your Committee on Banks have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with a recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 1844 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

T. D. STEWART (34th), Chairman.

Mr. Flewellen, chairman of the Pension Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under consideration the following joint resolution, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

Joint resolution No. 180, by Mr. Longley, of Troup,

which provides for the payment of \$30 to Mrs. Josiah Cohen, of Troup county, as a pension under the act of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

E. A. FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

The following House resolution was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Charters—

A resolution appropriating \$50 to pay David Hurd for services as porter for House, 1897.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Gray,	Strother,
Blalock,	Ham,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Mann,	Witcher.
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Everett,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Flynt,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.

Ayes 29. Nays 3.



The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed, as amended..

Amend caption of resolution by adding at the end of the word "House" the words "and one hundred dollars (\$100) for one extra porter for the Senate for fifty days."

Amend resolution by adding at the end of the word "service" the words "and one hundred dollars (\$100) for an extra porter in the Senate for fifty days' service."

By Mr. Little—

A resolution appropriating \$150 to pay the elevator boy for the session of 1897

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Gray,	Strother,
Blalock,	Ham,	Thomson,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Cook,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th.,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—  
Kilpatrick.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Carter,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Castleberry,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Flynt,		

Ayes 30. Nays 1.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The amendments were as follows:

Amend by adding to the caption the following words: “and \$2 per day for six pages in the Senate.”

Amend further, by inserting in the resolution between the words “session” and “and” in the fifth line the words “and \$2 per day for six pages in the Senate.”

The unfinished business was taken up, which is a bill By Special Committee—

A bill to create a Prison Commission for the State.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Starr withdrew his substitute for convict bill.

Mr. Carter's substitute for the convict bill was lost.

The vote on the bill by Special Committee was taken by ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Culver,	Mann,	Van Buren.
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Shropshire,	Wilcox,
Golightly,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Flynt,	Strother,
Carter,	Goldin,	Witcher.
Castleberry,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Kemp,	Mr. President.
Blalock,		

Ayes 33. Nays 7

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Amend section 1 as follows: By striking all of said section after the word “until” in line seven and insert in lieu thereof the following language: “their respective successors are elected and qualified as hereinafter provided. At the general election in October, 1898, one commissioner shall be elected, and at each following general election, one commissioner shall be elected. The commissioners so appointed by the Governor shall cast lots and determine which

of the said commissioners shall hold office until the general election in October, 1898, which shall hold until the general election of 1900, and which shall hold until the general election of 1902, or until their successors are elected and qualified."

Amend section 2 by striking all of said section down to the words "in case of any vacancy" and in lieu thereof substitute the following: "That the terms of office of the commissioners elected by the people shall be for a period of six years."

Amend section 5 by striking "\$1,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$1,200." Amend section 5 by adding after the word "annum" in fifth line the words "and in addition thereto, actual traveling expenses while in the discharge of his duties."

Amend section 6 by adding after "proviso" in second amendment, the following: "Provided further, that any person or corporation having hired any convicts under the provisions of this bill, and failing or refusing to comply with the regulations of the commissioners, shall forfeit all rights under any contract of hiring, and in the discretion of the commission, said commission shall have power and authority to take from said hirer the convicts so hired and rehire the same under the provisions of this bill.

Amend paragraph one of section 6 by adding the following language at the end of first paragraph: "Provided, that the guards so appointed shall not receive a greater sum than \$25 each per month, and the officers and physicians

so appointed shall not receive a greater sum than \$100 each per month."

Amend section 6 as follows: by inserting after the word "variety" and before the word "and" in the fifth line of said section the word "quality."

Amend section 6 by striking the word "the" in line 32 of section 6 between the word "event" and the word "county" and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "no."

Amend section 6 by striking from line 34 the words "upon such public works."

Amend section 4: Provided, that no commissioner shall receive any compensation for railroad fare from the State when traveling on free passes.

Upon the adoption of this amendment, Mr. Kemp called for the ayes and nays. The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Blalock,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Carter,	Golightly,	Walker of the 40th.
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Wooten.
Cook,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Stevens,
Battle,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Culver,	Mann,	Turner,
Everett,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Geiger,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Gray,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Ham,	Shropshire,	Witcher,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,		

Ayes 16. Nays 24.

Amendment was lost.

Amend section 4 by striking from line two of said section the figures "\$2,000" and insert "\$1,800."

Upon the adoption of this amendment Mr. Walker called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Strother,
Blalock,	Flynt,	Turner,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Castleberry,	Starr,	Witcher.
Everett,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wooten.

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Sheffield,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Shropshire,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Stevens,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 27th,
Culver,	Mann,	Thomson,
Geiger,	McFarland,	Van Buren.
Golightly,	Redwine,	Wilcox.
Gray,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,		

Ayes 18. Nays 22.

Amendment was lost.

Amend section 6 by striking all of said section after the word "necessary" in the fifth line of said section of printed House bill.

Upon the adoption of the amendment Mr. Walker called for the ayes and nays, which call was as follows:

Ayes 12. Nays 20.

Amendment was lost.

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Everett,	Thomson,
Battle,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Brinson,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Castleberry,	Strother,	Wooten,

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Starr,
Carter,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Cook,	Kemp,	Turner.
Flewellen,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Mann,	Wilcox.
Goldin,	McFarland,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	Gray,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Ham,	Westmoreland.
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Mr. President.

Ayes 12. NAYS 20.

Amend section 8 by striking word "advise" in line 3 and insert in lieu thereof the word "advertise."

Amend section 8 by striking the following paragraph:

"They may purchase one or more tracts and if they think best, lease other tracts of land if same can be had upon reasonable terms."

Amend section 8 by striking the word "sixteen" in 48th line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the word "fifteen."

Amend section 8 by striking all of line 48 after the word "age" and all of lines 49, 50 and 51 and the word "convict" in 52, and in lieu of the words stricken inserting the words "and such aged, infirm or diseased convicts as in the judgment of the commission should not be hired out;" provided, that the commission shall have power and authority in its discretion to take from and hire any convict whom they have hired out, and to place such convict upon the farm herein provided for, relieving such hirer of that part of the hire of such convict for the time during which such hirer is thus deprived of the services of such convict; provided further, that said commission shall likewise have power and authority in its discretion to take from said farm any boy, upon his reaching the age of fifteen, or thereafter, and hiring him out as other convicts are to be hired, under the provisions of this bill.

Amend section 8 by striking "sixteen" and inserting "fifteen" in line 58



Amend section 8 by striking out the word "cell" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "compartment," also, amend same line by inserting the word "physical" between the words "no" and "communication."

Amend section 11 as follows: by striking all the language after the word "employed" in line 15 of said section to the word "the" in line 28 of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the words and language as follows: "At any labor consistent with reasonable punishment, and the physical ability of the convicts."

Amend section 11 by inserting after the word "State" in the 43d line thereof, the following: "Provided, that every contract for the hiring of convicts shall be first approved by the Governor before the same shall be of force."

Amend section 11 by striking all of the words beginning with the word "that" in line 43 and down to and including the words "free labor" in line 54.

Amend section 11 by striking the following language: "for the daily labor at an equal price per capita" in the 33 and 34 lines of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "quarterly for the annual labor of the convicts at an agreed price per annum per capita."

Amend section 11 by inserting after the word "bond" and before "the" in line 88: In lieu of a personal bond the company or individual hiring the convicts may deposit collaterals, consisting of United States bonds, State bonds or municipal bonds, which are acceptable to the commission; or the company or individual hiring the convicts may give

as surety any solvent guarantee company, surety company, fidelity insurance company, or like company, which has complied with the act of December 24, 1896, authorizing such companies to become surety upon certain bonds, and in case of default the bonds shall be collectable as provided in said act of December 24, 1896. Whenever the surety upon any bond shall become doubtful the commission shall have authority to require other good and solvent security, and in default of such security being given, the commission may forfeit the lease and take charge of the convicts.

Amend section 11: Any person or company hiring said convicts may, with the consent of the commission, rehire the same or any part thereof, provided, such rehiring shall in no way affect the contract between the State and the original contractor, and in the case of such rehiring, the original contractor shall have a lien upon the work and product of said convicts second only to taxes and the amount due the State by him, which lien may be enforced as provided by law for the enforcement of laborer's lien.

Upon the adoption of this amendment, Mr. Battle called for the ayes and nays which call was sustained and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Cook,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those voting the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	McFarland,
Brinson,	Gray,	Shropshire,
Carter,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Turner.
Everett,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th.
Flewellen,	Maun,	Wilcox.
Flynt,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Redwine,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Stewart of the 27th,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Thomson,	Mr. President.
Geiger,		

Ayes 15. Nays 19.

The amendment was lost.

Amend the bill by inserting the following as section 14:

Be it further enacted, That the prison commission shall provide on said farm, or on some one of said farms to be purchased under the provisions of this act, suitable provision for the keeping and care of the insane convicts now in the State lunatic asylum, and those convicted for crime, who may hereafter become insane, and those charged with crime who at the time of or after the commission thereof are found to be insane, and under the provisions of law are ordered to be confined in the State lunatic asylum, and such insane persons shall be received and kept on said farm in such reasonable manner as is conducive to their restoration.

Amend the bill by properly numbering all sections after the adopting of the foregoing section 14.

Amend section 13 by striking the word "sixteen" in line 8 of said section and insert in lieu thereof the word "fifteen."

Amend section 13 by striking in the 14th and 15th lines the words "the aged, infirm and diseased convicts" and insert in lieu thereof the following language: "Such aged, infirm or diseased convicts as in the judgment of the commission shall not be hired out."

Amend section 15 as follows: by striking from said section the words when the same appear: "or leased."

Amend section 15 by adding between the words "penitentiary" and "and" the words "in conformity to this act" in the 13th line of said section.

Amend section 16 by striking from the last line of section 16 the words "and the office of physician of the penitentiary"

Mr. Carter called for the ayes and nays and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Grav,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Carter,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wilcox.
Golightly,	Sheffield,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flewellen,	Starr,
Battle,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Witcher,
Culver,	McFarland,	Wooten.
Dunwoody,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Goldin,	Westmoreland,	Mr. President.
Stevens,		

Ayes 14. Nays 26.

The amendment was lost.

Amend section 17 by adding at the end thereof the words “to be used in maintaining and perfecting the penal system of the State.”

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Battle—

A resolution providing the preparation of a hand-book of the W and A. R. R.

The following Senate bill was taken up to concur in House amendment:

By Mr. Dunwoody—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Brunswick.

The amendment was concurred in.

The following House bill and resolution was read the second time:

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to amend section 1844 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Longley—

A resolution to appropriate \$30 for Mrs. Joseph Cohen, of Troup county.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution to pay M. A. Hardin \$75 and C. S. Northen \$50 for mailing the unfinished business of this session of 1896.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution to appropriate \$60 to pay the pension of Amanda Thornton.

By Mr. Burwell—

A resolution to appropriate \$17 for expenses of the election committee for investigating the Clay county contest case.

By Mr. West—

A bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Lake Park, in Lowndes county.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution appropriating money to pay balance due on the Code.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta—

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 832, to repeal section 3 of an act approved February 28, 1874, prescribing the manner of incorporating towns and villages of this State, and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

J. F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

Mr. Wilcox, Chairman of the Committee on Hygiene and Sanitation, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Hygiene and Sanitarium have had under consideration House bill No. 758, which they instruct me as their chairman, to report back with a recommendation that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

JEFF WILCOX, Chairman.

Mr. Cook, Chairman of the Penitentiary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The sub-committee appointed by the Penitentiary Committee to visit all the convict camps in the State, as now required by law have performed such duty, and submitted the following report.

Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP COOK, Chairman.

*Mr. Chairman:*

The Sub-Penitentiary Committee appointed to visit Camp Morgan, in Clinch county, beg leave to submit the following report:

The committee found said camp in good condition, the convicts well fed, clothed and housed, and the same in healthy condition.

From such investigation as had, we are of the opinion that all the rules and regulations of law are complied with in the management of said camp.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

*Mr. Chairman:*

We, your sub-committee, appointed to visit the convict camps at Bainbridge and Donaldsonville, beg leave to submit the following report:



We find the camp at Bainbridge in good condition. Eighty-one prisoners, 12 of them white—all male. All are at work in sawmill and yards, except ten, who are cutting logs.

We find the sanitary condition good. Fine artesian water is used.

We recommend that the proper authorities of this camp be required to furnish a better grade of syrup, also furnish more meat.

At Donaldsonville, there are sixty-two prisoners, sixteen of them white—all male.

Only one in hospital, on account of accident.

We also recommend that a better grade of syrup be provided for this camp, also more meat be provided.

The sanitary condition is good.

Respectfully submitted.

T. F. McFARLAND, Sub-Chairman.

H. W. HOPKINS,

JNO. L. CULVER,

G. F. WESTMORELAND.

To Honorable Philip Cook, Chairman Senate Penitentiary Committee:

The special joint committee appointed to visit convict camps at Coal City and Durham camps, in Dade and Walker counties, report as follows:

We found at Coal City ——— convicts. Many of these are poorly clad. Quite a number of them have but one suit of clothes, and sleep in the clothes they work in without change at night.

We further find that these unfortunate men have no time not opportunity to wash their clothing, except on the Sabbath, and then have to do their own washing without sufficient quantity of soap.

We earnestly recommend that the principal keeper of the penitentiary see that these convicts have more and better clothing without delay, and that they have better facilities for washing their clothing.

From the best information we could gather, we think the convicts at this place are not overworked, and that their diet is sufficient, with the exception it is not sufficiently cooked and seasoned.

The hospital we found in good condition, and well equipped with medicines and surgical instruments.

The health of the convicts we found to be good, and the stockades, sleeping apartments and general sanitary condition of the camps we found moderately good.

We recommend that Dave Burgess, serving a life sentence at Coal City, from Walker county, be pardoned.

We found at Durham mines, in Walker county, a well regulated camp in excellent condition. The convicts are well clothed, fed and sheltered, their clothing clean and plentiful, and the sanitary condition good in all respects.

The hospital at this camp is well supplied with all necessary medicines and other appliances.

We heard no complaint from the men confined at Durham, and an examination of the camp generally furnished no evidence to justify complaint.

The men are not overworked, and are well fed.

All necessary rules for cleanliness are observed and enforced.

We found —— convicts at this camp, all in good health, except —.

Respectfully submitted.

A. ATKINSON, Chairman.

To the Hon. Philip Cook, Chairman Senate Committee on  
Penitentiary:

We, the undersigned sub-committee, appointed to visit Oglethorpe and Heardmount camps, beg leave to say:

We found at Oglethorpe camp, under James M. Smith, 125 convicts—110 colored and 15 white—one sick in the hospital.

We found the camp clean, and the convicts well cared for.

At Heardmount camp, under W. H. Maddox, we found 55 convicts, all females; 54 colored and one white.

We found this camp in exceptionally fine condition,

everything was clean, and the convicts well cared for, and we commend the manner in which this camp is managed.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. WOOTEN,  
Chairman pro tem.  
J. F. CASTLEBERRY.

*Mr. Chairman*

Your committee, to whom was submitted the examination of the convict camps at Worth and Bayboro, report that they found the same in good condition. For statistical report, we refer you to report Principal Keeper of penitentiary.

Respectfully submitted.

C. M. WITCHER, Chairman.  
WM. T. FLINT.

December 9, 1897.

Chairman of House Committee informs me he will submit the same report.

C. M. WITCHER, Chairman.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 30, 1897

To Hon. Philip Cook, Chairman Penitentiary Committee:

Sir: We, your sub-committee, appointed to visit the convict camps located at Alexanderville, in Echols county, and M. O. Maxwell's camp, located in Charlton county, submit the following:

On the 25th inst., your committee visited and made a thorough inspection of the camp at the first named place, in charge of Capt. Mitchell. There are fifty-seven convicts at this place, all colored, males. We think the camp in excellent condition. The convicts seem to be well fed and clothed, the sleeping apartments were reasonably clean. The cooking seemed to be good, the food both in quality and quantity seemed to be sufficient. The sanitary conditions are very good; everything is neat and clean, with separate apartments for the sick. There was but one sick at the time your committee visited the camp, and he was convalescent.

On the 26th of November your committee visited and inspected the camps in Charlton county, in charge of Capt. M. O. Maxwell. There were at that time 81 convicts at this place—all colored males except four white males. The books show that the convicts are well fed and clothed. The sanitary conditions, in our opinion, are of the best. Everything was in good condition. The hands all at work except three (3). One of these being suffering from a gunshot wound received before his conviction, from which he was convalescent. One from an accidental cut of the foot, the other from a lame leg.

Respectfully submitted.

M. L. EVERETT, Chairman.

J. Y. WALKER,

J. P. BROOKE,

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman of Committee on Railroads,  
submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

Your Committee on Railroads have had under consideration the following House bill which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill providing for the sale of the Northeastern railroad.

Respectfully submitted.

J. D. KILPATRICK, Chairman.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration House resolution No. 173, appropriating the sum of \$341.68 to D. Lee Wardroper, and the sum of \$270.54 to Thomas P Stanley for services rendered the State in making official surveys of the Western and Atlantic Railroad and preparing official maps or plats thereof, which they direct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass. Also, House joint resolution No. 225, authorizing the Governor to borrow any money necessary to supply any casual deficiencies before the next session of the General Assembly, which the committee direct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Agriculture have had under consideration the following House bills, to wit:

Bill No. 806, by Mr. Blalock, of Fayette, they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that same do pass, as amended.

Also, bill No. 608, by Mr. Blalock, of Fayette, they instruct me to report back with recommendation that same do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

T. G. HUDSON, Chairman.

Mr. Flewellen, Chairman of the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Pensions have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

No. 792, a bill to be entitled an act to amend an act approved December 24, 1896, entitled an act to collect and levy tax for support of the State Government, public institutions, etc., so as to exempt the blind, Confederate soldiers, and all other persons having lost a limb or limbs, or deformed by nature so as to render them unfit for manual labor, from paying the tax required of daguerrean, ambrotype, photographic or similar artist, and for other purposes.

E. A. FLEWELLEN, Chairman.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend paragraph one of section three, relative to guarantee companies.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to repeal paragraphs three and four of section 2801 of the Code.

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to further define the incompetency of certain persons as witnesses.

By Mr. Hawes—

A bill to amend an act approved December 12, 1882, and for other purposes.

By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to amend section 580 of the Code of 1895.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to protect electric companies in this State.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to authorize the Governor to sell the Northeastern railroad.

By Mr. Phinizy—

A bill to repeal section 3 of an act of the General Assembly of 1874.



By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize and empower county and city councils to enact regulations or ordinances to provide the enforcing of vaccination.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to provide for three grades of fertilizers in this State.

The following Senate bill was taken up for the purpose of concurring in House amendments:

By Mr. Gray—

A bill requiring the Commissioner of Agriculture to establish a special department of horticulture and pomology.

House amendments were concurred in.

By Mr. Knowles—

A resolution memorializing Congress in reference to yellow fever in the South.

The following House bills were read the third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Ellis—

A bill to amend the act establishing a system of public schools in the city of Lumpkin.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Reid—

A bill to exempt from jury duty certain members of the Macon Light Infantry.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Pace—

A bill to amend an act providing a system of public schools for the town of Newton.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Fogarty—

A bill to authorize the city council of Augusta to extend Cumming street across the Georgia Railroad and Banking Company.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. McCranie—

A bill to make it a penal offense to set fire to grass or woods on another's land.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

The following House bills were read the second time:  
By Special Finance Committee.

A resolution to appropriate \$341.68 to D. Lee Wardroper and the sum of \$270.54 to Thomas P Stanley for service rendered the State in making official survey for W. and A. R. R.

By Mr. Turner—

A resolution to authorize the Governor to borrow money if necessary before the meeting of the General Assembly in 1898.

The following House bills were read the third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Niles—

A bill to change the name of the Georgia lunatic asylum.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. McLaughlin—

A bill to make it unlawful for any person to fire a pistol or other firearms on excursion trains.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Amend by adding after the word "train" in the third line of the caption of the act the word "or."

2. Amend by adding after the word "train" in the fifth line of section one the word "or."

3. Amend by striking after the word "picnic" in the third line of the caption of the act, the following words, to wit: "or other public gatherings."

4. Amend by striking after the word "picnic" in the fifth line of section one, the following words, to wit: "or other public gatherings."

By Mr. Durham—

A bill confirming the incorporating of the Gainesville Air Line Railroad Company.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

The following House bills were taken from the table with adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Henderson—

A bill to amend an act approved December 22, 1896, to protect game in this State.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to repeal an act, approved December 15, relative to a person holding two offices at the same time in Savannah.

Report of the committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Duncan—

A bill to amend an act to create a Board of Police Commissioners for the city of Savannah.

Report of committee was agreed to and bill was lost.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to provide the manner of electing sheriff and clerk of the city court of Savannah.

The report of the committee was agreed to and bill lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill to amend an act to create a Board of Commissioners for Monroe county.

Also, a bill granting to Columbus Power Company all right and title of the State in and to the bed of the Chattahoochee river between certain points in Muscogee county.

Also, a bill requiring the Memorial Board to investigate the Condition of Confederate cemeteries.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding superior courts of Charlton and Clinch counties.

Also, a bill to incorporate the town of Abbeville, in Wilcox county.

Also, a bill to amend an act to establish a county court of Dougherty and Lee counties.

The House has also passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following Senate bill, as amended:

A bill to require the Commissioner of Agriculture to establish a special department of horticulture.

The following House bill was taken from the table with adverse report from committee.

By Mr. Boyd—

A bill to amend section 221 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Report of the committee was disagreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Atkinson called for the ayes and nays. The call was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Turner,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th
Comas,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Thomson,
Golightly,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Gray,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Hopkins,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.

Ayes 31. Nays 4.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Dunwody, Chairman of Committee on Military Affairs, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Military Affairs have had under consideration House bill No. 596:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the State Memorial Board, and for other purposes, and direct me as the chairman of said committee to report the same back, with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F DUNWODY, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, when the Senate adjourns it is to reconvene at 4 o'clock this evening.

The following House bill was read the third time:

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to appropriate \$4,917 43 to pay the expenses of the investigating committee to investigate Judges Sweat and Reese.

This being an appropriation the ayes and nays were called.

The vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Thomson,
Comas,	Hudson,	Turner,
Cook,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.

Ayes 36. Nays 2.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.



That there shall be paid to Senator W Y Carter, the sum of \$104.76, balance due to him per itemized statement here attached, for per diem, mileage and other expenses incurred by him during the investigating committee's session in January, 1897.

Amend the caption by adding, "also, the sum of \$104.76, to pay actual exepnses and per diem of W Y. Carter incurred by him during said session."

By Mr. Little—

A resolution, providing for the payment of the assistant doorkeeper in the House for present session.

This being an appropriation the ayes and nays were called for and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Strother,
Blalock,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Ham,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Dunwody.	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Kilpatrick,	Mann,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Stewart of the 34th,	Mr. President.
Flynt,		

Ayes 35. Nays 2.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed as amended.

Add after the word “doorkeeper” in the 15th line the following words, to wit: “of the House and one doorkeeper for the messenger’s room of the Senate.”

By Mr. Wright—

A resolution appropriating \$500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to purchase the portrait of the Hon. Chas. F. Crisp.

This vote being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called for and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Cook,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwoody,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten,
Goldin,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Golightly,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Carter,	Flynt,	Kemp.
Castleberry,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Brooke,	Westmoreland.
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Ayes 37. Nays 4.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for liens in favor of contractors, etc.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring all promissory notes or contracts taken for patent rights to express on the face thereof the thing purchased, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit the wilful and malicious destroying, injuring or attempting to injure or destroy, any dwelling house, etc, with or by the use of dynamite, etc.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, the following bill, to wit:

A bill to permit defendants *bona fide* in possession of land under claim of title to set off the value of permanent improvements.

Respectfully submitted.

E. L. BRINSON, Chairman.

The hour of adjournment having arrived the Senate adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

4 O'clock P M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, at 4 o'clock and was called to order by the President.

Upon motion of Mr. Blalock the roll-call was dispensed with.

Mr. Shropshire, Chairman of Special Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A bill to amend section 580 of volume one of the Code of 1895.

Respectfully submitted.

WESLEY SHROPSHIRE, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House resolution was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Felder—

A resolution appropriating money to pay the per diem and mileage to Hon. J. H. Polhill and Hon. James Stapleton, for the full term of two years.

This being an appropriation the roll-call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 1st,
Dunwoody,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Witcher.
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.
Goldin,	Stevens,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Culver,	Shropshire,
Brinson,	Everett,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Wilcox.
Comas,	Redwine,	Mr. President.

Ayes 32. Nays 0.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with recommendation that the same do pass:

A bill to appropriate \$5,781.06 to pay mileage and ex-

penses of the members at the extra session of the legislature.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

House bill No. 615 was recommitted to General Judiciary Committee.

The following House bill was put upon its passage:

By Mr. Pace—

A bill to amend section 583, volume 1 of the Code of Georgia.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Knowles—

A bill to authorize county commissioners to provide court rooms for justice of the peace in cities with population not less than 6,000 inhabitants.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 27, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Kendrick—

A bill to change the fall term of holding Terrell superior court in Terrell county.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read the second time and recommitted to Committee on Finance:

By Mr. Craig—

A bill to allow blind Confederate soldiers to peddle without license in this State.

The following House bill was read the third time and put upon its passage:

By Mr. Rutherford—

A bill to amend section 4685 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Starr House bill No. 690 was re-committed to General Judiciary Committee.

The following House bill was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill governing the sale of commercial fertilizers in this State.

By Mr. Little—

A resolution appropriating \$2,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay deficit for the State exhibit at Tennessee Centennial.



The resolution involving an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger.	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Gray,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Everett,	Starr,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Carter,	Goldin,	Turner,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Kemp,	Stevens,
Battle,	Kilpatrick,	Strother,
Brooke,	Redwine,	Thomson.
Comas,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Hopkins,		

Ayes 25. Nays 3.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

The following House bill was read the second time:

By Mr. Bartlett—

A bill to prohibit the destroying of property in this State with dynamite or other explosive substances.

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 596 was recommitted to Committee on Military.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate \$5,781.06 to pay expenses of the General Assembly at its extra session in February, 1897

This being an appropriation the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Cook,	Mann,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwoody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.
Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Carter,	Kilpatrick.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Comas,	McFarland,	Mr. President.
Everett,		

Ayes 29. Nays 2.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Golightly, Chairman of the Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

*Mr President:*

The Committee on Corporations have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

House bill No. 829, to incorporate the village of Sunnyside.

Also, the following House bill, which I am directed to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass, to wit:

House bill No. 738, to amend an act to create a Board of County Commissioners for Greene county.

Respectfully submitted.

J F. GOLIGHTLY, Chairman.

By Mr. Awtrey—

A bill to amend an act to create a State Memorial Board.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Awtrey of Cobb—

A bill to amend section 5 of an act approved November 12, 1889, in reference to State Geologist.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Boynton—

A bill to incorporate the town of Sunnyside, in the county of Spalding.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, the following House bill was read the second time and recommitted to the Railroad Committee:

By Mr. ———

A bill to allow the State, as owners of certain railroads, to be sued in certain cases.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner the Senate stood adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night.

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8 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the assistant secretary.

Upon motion of Mr. Geiger, Senator Hopkins was elected President pro tem.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick the roll-call was dispensed with.

The following House resolution was read the third time:

By Mr. Timmerman—

A resolution to return to J. L. Horn, sheriff of Webster county, \$60 for money paid out by him in defending himself for collecting taxes for the State.

Upon motion of Mr. Everett the resolution was tabled.

The following House bills were read the third time, to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Berry—

To require all life insurance companies doing an assessment insurance business to have certain words printed on their policies.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Nevin—

A bill to appropriate \$100 to build a house for the boiler at the School for the Deaf and Dumb at Cave Spring.

This being an appropriation the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Starr,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Strother,
Cook,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th
Dunwody,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Thomson,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Brinson,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Flynt,		

Ayes 28. Nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following Senate bill, to wit:

A bill to authorize hotel keepers to sell spirituous liquors to guests under certain circumstances.

The committee has also examined the following Senate resolution and found same duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House, to wit:

A resolution providing that handbooks be prepared for the Western and Atlantic Railroad.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle the Senate took a recess for twenty minutes.

At 8:40 o'clock the Senate was called to order by the President pro tem.

Upon motion of Mr. Atkinson the Senate took a recess for ten minutes longer.

At 8:55 o'clock the Senate was again called to order by the President pro tem.

Mr. Redwine, Chairman of the Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration the following bill, which I am instructed to report back with the request that the same be read the second time and re-referred to the committee, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the sale of prison-made goods within this State.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman.

Mr. Blalock, Chairman of Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Finance Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which they instruct me to report

back to the Senate with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to exempt certain Confederate soldiers from certain taxes.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. BLALOCK, Chairman.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was read the second time and recommitted to the Committee on Manufactories.

By Mr. Awtrey—

A bill to regulate the sale of convict-made goods in this State.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Berry—

A bill to require all corporations doing an insurance business on the assessment plan to have certain words printed on the policies.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 3.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Timmerman—

A resolution to reimburse J. L. Horn for the amount of \$60 from the treasury of Webster county, the amount paid out by him in defending himself in collecting some taxes.



This being an appropriation the ayes and nays were called and the vote was as follows:

Those voting the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Van Buren.
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher.
Everett,	Starr,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Carter,	McFarland,	Turner,
Comas,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Ayes 28. Nays 0.

The resolution having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Appropriations have had under consideration the following House resolutions, which they instruct me to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do pass, to wit:

A resolution appropriating \$17 to pay expenses of contest in Clay county.

A resolution appropriating \$60 to Amanda Thornton, as pension.

The committee recommends that the following resolution pass as amended:

A resolution directing that a certain sum be paid Clerk of House and Assistant Secretary of Senate for special work.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman.

Mr. Stevens, Chairman of the Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the right of the late treasurer, Hon. R. U. Hardeman, to certain fees received from Building and Loan Associations, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Special Joint Committee appointed to investigate the right of the late treasurer, Hon. R. U. Hardeman, to certain fees received from Building and Loan Associations, under act of legislature, approved October 19, 1891, have directed me to report as follows:

That after duly considering the law, it is the sense of the committee, that the fees received by said treasurer

properly belonged to him, and were not intended to be covered into the treasury as a part of the State fund.

Respectfully submitted.

O. B. STEVENS, Chairman Senate Com.

C. G. GRAY,

C. E. BATTLE.

Adopted December 16, 1897

By Mr. Nevin—

A resolution instructing our representatives in Congress to amend the Constitution so that our U. S. Senators may be elected by the people.

Read and adopted.

The following House bill was read the third time, to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. ———

A bill regulating notary's public protest fees in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 22, nays 2.

The bill not having received the requisite constitutional majority was lost.

Upon motion of Mr. Cook the Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia,  
Thursday, December 16th, 9 O'clock A. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Marks.

Upon motion of Mr. Culver, the roll-call was dispensed with.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 535 was withdrawn by Mr. Stewart, 34th district.

Under the regular order the following House bills were taken up and put upon their passage:

By Mr. Phinizy—

A bill to repeal section 3 of an act of the General Assembly approved February 28th, 1874.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 25, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to protect electric companies in this State, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following Senate bills by the requisite constitutional majority, to wit:

A bill to extend the corporate limits of Fort Valley.

Also, a bill to amend section 1354 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895, pertaining to local schools.

Also, a bill to increase the rank of adjutant-general.

Also, a bill to prevent tramps riding on railroad trains in this State.

Also, a bill to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court.

Also, to amend an act to maintain a system of public schools in Fulton county, outside the city of Atlanta.

Also, a bill to regulate the practice in the city court of Baxley.

Also, a bill to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta circuits, adding the county of Campbell to the Stone Mountain circuit.

The House has also concurred in the following Senate resolutions, to wit:

A resolution providing for the preparation of a handbook of the Western Railroad.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendment to the following House bill:

A bill prohibiting the firing of guns or pistols on excursion trains or at picnics.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following resolutions:

A resolution providing for the payment of extra door-keepers.

Also, a resolution appropriating \$150 for the elevator boy.

Also, a resolution to pay Dan Heard fifty dollars.

The House has also concurred in the following Senate resolutions as amended, to wit:

A resolution providing that the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House be, and they are, hereby authorized to remain at the capitol five days after adjournment.

Also, a resolution providing for a doorkeeper for the rear door of messenger's room for twenty-five days.

The House has also adopted the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked:

A resolution providing for an investigation of the northern boundary of the State.

By Mr. Meldrim—

A bill to amend section 1844 of the Code of Georgia of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 2417 of the Civil Code of 1895, in reference to marriage license.

Upon motion of Mr. Shropshire, the bill was tabled.

Mr. Redwine, Chairman of Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to require all packages in which mixed flour is offered for sale for consumption within this State to be marked or branded so as to show the true contents and weight of such packages, which the committee instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

The committee have also had under consideration a bill to be entitled an act to provide for and require an analysis of every article of food offered for sale for consumption within this State, which the committee instruct me to report back with a recommendation that the introducer be allowed to withdraw the same.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman.

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate \$320.00 to pay the school-book commission.

Upon motion of Mr. Turner, the bill was tabled.

The following Senate bill was taken up to concur in House amendments:

By Mr. Starr—

A resolution authorizing the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House to remain at the capitol five days to finish up the business.

House amendments were concurred in.

Upon motion, the following House bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Little—

A bill to appropriate \$320.00 for the school-book commission.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 31th,
Brooke,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Kemp,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Everett,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Starr,	Witcher.



Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Thomson,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th
Comas,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Cook,	Mann,	Wooten,
Culver,	McFarland,	Mr. President.
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	

Ayes 27    Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Atlanta.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Gray—

A resolution to admit Eddie Goddard in the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Cave Spring.

By Mr. West—

A bill to incorporate the town of Lake Park, in the county of Lowndes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Charters—

A bill to authorize the Governor to sell the Northeastern Railroad.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Goldin called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Carter,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwoody,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flewellen,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Goldin,	Sheffield,	Starr.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Comas,	Stevens,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Thomson,	Mr. President.
Kemp,		

Ayes 34. Nays 3.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill, with an amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is asked, to wit:

A bill to regulate the deposits of securities by Building and Loan Associations.

Mr. Dunwody, Chairman Committee on Military Affairs, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Military Affairs have had under consideration House bill No. 596, to be entitled an act to require the State Memorial Board to make an investigation of the condition of the different Confederate cemeteries in this State, and for other purposes, and direct me, as chairman of said committee, to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F. DUNWODY, Chairman.

The following House resolution was read first time:

By Mr. Meldrim—

A resolution investigating the northern boundary of the State of Georgia.

The resolution was adopted.

The following House bill was taken up to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to provide for notice of the garnishee when in any of the courts of this State when his answer has been traversed.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by inserting in section 4 of said bill, between the word "perfected" and the word "either," the following language: "by the plaintiff, his agent or attorney of record, or by the proper officer of said court."

The following Senate bill was taken up for the purpose of concurring in House amendments:

By Mr. Stewart of 34th District—

A bill to regulate the deposits of Building and Loan Companies in this State.

House amendments were concurred in.

By unanimous consent, Senator Carter was excused for the remainder of the session, on account of sickness.

The following Senate bills were read third time to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Whitaker—

A bill to amend section 3623 of the Code of 1882.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill to prohibit the excavating, tearing up or destroying macadamized roads in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 1.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Knowles—

A resolution memorializing Congress in reference to yellow fever.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 23, nays 1.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Longley—

A resolution to pay Mrs. Joseph Cohen, of Troup county, \$30.00 for pension of 1895.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Strother,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Everett,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Brooke,	Gray,	Thomson,
Carter,	Ham,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Hopkins,	Wilcox,
Cook,	McFarland,	Mr. President.

Ayes 27    Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Battle, Chairman of the General Judiciary Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The General Judiciary Committee have had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that the same do pass as amended, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act requiring all promissory notes

or contracts taken for patent rights to express on the face thereof the thing purchased, and for other purposes.

The committee have also had under consideration the following House bill, which I am instructed to report back with the recommendation that same do pass, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act providing for liens in favor of contractors, material men, etc., and for other purposes.

Respectfully submitted.

C. E. BATTLE, Chairman.

By Mr. Bartlett—

A bill to prohibit the malicious destroying of any barn, house, or other property in this State with dynamite, or other explosive substances.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were —, nays —.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend the caption of the bill by striking the word "power" and insert in lieu thereof the word "powder."

Also, amend section 5 by striking the word "committed," in the third to the last line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "commuted."

The following bill was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following bill of the Senate, to wit:

A bill to create and organize a new judicial circuit to be called the Atlantic judicial circuit.

The following communication was received from his Excellency, the Governor, through Mr. Warren, his Secretary, to wit:

*Mr. President:*

I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the Senate a sealed communication, to which he respectfully invites the consideration of your honorable body in executive session.

By Mr. Felder—

A bill providing for liens in favor of contracts, material men, mechanics, laborers, and others, and for other purposes.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Cannon—

A bill to require all promissory notes or contracts taken for patent rights to express on the face thereof the thing purchased, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:



Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Strother,
Brinson,	Golightly,	Turner,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th.
Cook,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Redwine,	Thomson,
Dunwody,	Stevens,	Van Buren.
Kilpatrick,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Ham,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Gray,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 29. Nays 7

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend the caption of the act by striking after the word "contract," in the thirteenth line, the following words, to wit: "Whether the consideration be expressed or not," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "Where the consideration is so expressed."

Second amendment: Amend the caption by adding at the end thereof the following words, to wit: "and to provide a penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of this act."

Third amendment: Amend section 2 as follows: Strike after the word "otherwise," in the ninth line, the following words, to wit: "or whether the consideration is expressed in same or not," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "whether the consideration is so expressed."

Fourth amendment: Make a new section, to be in lieu of section 3, which section shall read as follows:

Section 3. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all persons violating the provisions of this act by selling any of the articles mentioned in this act without expressing in the face of such notes or contracts or other evidence of debt the article or thing for which the same was given, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be punished as prescribed in section 1039 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Fifth amendment: Make section 3 of the original bill section 4 of the bill as amended.

At 12:25 o'clock the Senate went into executive session.

Upon motion of Mr. Gray, when the Senate adjourn it will reconvene at 3 o'clock this evening.

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 233 was tabled.

By unanimous consent, the following House bill was taken up, with adverse report from committee.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to require all mixed flour offered for consumption in this State to have certain words printed on it.

Mr. Walker of 18th moved to disagree to the report of the committee.

The session was extended until the bill under consideration was disposed of.

Upon disagreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, which call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Gray,	Strother,
Culver,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Flewellen,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	McFarland,	Wooten,

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Geiger,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Westmoreland,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Stevens,	Witcher.
Everett,	Stewart of the 27th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Battle,	Ham,	Shropshire,
Brinson,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Carter,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th.
Comas,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.

Ayes 17    Nays 14.

The report of the committee was disagreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays.

Upon motion of Mr. Golightly, the bill was tabled.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Senate stood adjourned until this evening at 3 o'clock.

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3 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 3 o'clock, and was called to order by the President.

By unanimous consent, the roll-call was dispensed with.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were taken up to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Boifeuillet—

A bill to appropriate \$10,000.00 to establish a textile department at the Technological School.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stevens,
Battle,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Gray,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Turner,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Dunwoody,	Redwine,	Witcher.
Everett,	Sheffield,	Wooten.
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Mann,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Goldin,		

Ayes 26. Nays 2.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Taylor—

A bill to appropriate \$3,400.00 to erect necessary firewalls at the Lunatic Asylum.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Turner,
Culver,	Redwine,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Stevens,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Mann,
Brinson,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Witcher,
Comas,	Kemp,	Mr. President.
Cook,		

Ayes 31. Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$1,275.00 to pay balance due on the new Code.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	McFarland,	Turner,
Culver,	Redwine,	Van Buren,
Dunwoody,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wilcox,
Goldin,	Stevens,	Wooten.
Golightly,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Mann,
Brinson,	Flynt,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Hudson,	Witcher,
Comas,	Kemp,	Mr. President.
Cook,		

Ayes 31. Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Blalock—

A resolution to appropriate \$1,800.00 to pay the expenses of the special committee, known as the Blalock Committee.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

(Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Ham,	Strother,
Culver,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Everett,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wilcox.
Flynt,	Starr,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Stevens,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Redwine,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Battle,	Cook,	Walker of the 40th,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Comas,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 27    Nays 6.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend caption of resolution by adding at the end thereof the following: "And to provide for an appropriation of \$200.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the actual expenses and pay the per diem of the Special Military Committee appointed under a resolution of the House and Senate to visit the military encampment of the State during the year 1897

Amend by adding at the end of second section the following, to be known as sections 3 and 4, as follows:

Section 3. Resolved further, That the sum of \$200.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the actual expenses and pay the per diem at the rate of four dollars for each days' service of the members of the Special Military Committee who were appointed under a resolution of the House and Senate during the last session of the present Legislature to visit the military encampments of the State held during the year 1897

Section 4. Resolved further, That said expenses and per diem of the committee shall only be paid after an itemized statement of the amounts claimed shall be approved by the chairman of said committee, and audited by one of the auditing committee of either the House or Senate.

Amend section 3 of the original resolution so that it will read section 5.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to appropriate money to pay indigent Confederate soldiers for the year 1898.



This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner.
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Everett,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Dunwody,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Comas,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 34. Nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Special Committee—

A resolution to pay the sum of \$341.68 to D. Lee Ward-  
roper, and the sum of \$270.54 to Thos. P Stanley for ser-  
vices as special civil engineer on the W & A. R. R.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Turner,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten,

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Everett,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Westmoreland.
Comas,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Cook,	Sheffield,	

Ayes 30. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$800.00 for the republication of 200 each of the Georgia Reports, volumes 84, 85, 86, and 87, and for other purposes.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Duhwody,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Flynt,	Strother,
Brooke,	Ham,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Sheffield,	Mr. President.
Everett,	Shropshire,	

Ayes 27. Nays 0.

—The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills, to wit:

A bill to prohibit the wilful dynamiting of any building in this State.

Also, a bill to provide for notice to the garnishee when his answer has been traversed.

Also, a bill requiring promissory notes or contracts taken for patent rights.

The House has also concurred in the following Senate resolutions:

A resolution to admit Eddie Goddard to the Deaf and Dumb Institute.

By Mr. Whitaker—

A resolution to authorize the Governor to draw his warrant on the treasury for \$2,000.00 to repair the capitol building.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Geiger,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Cook,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Culver,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Flynt,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	Redwine,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Thomson,	Mr. President.
Ham,		

Ayes 31. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Taylor—

A resolution appropriating \$914.00 for the completion of a water main at the Lunatic Asylum.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Starr,
Atkinson,	Gray,	Stevens,
Battle,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Goldin,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Brinson,	Flewellen,	Thomson,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Cook,	Strother,	Mr. President.
Everett,		

Ayes 31. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution to appropriate \$2,000.00 to pay the expenses of the committee visiting the various convict camps of the State.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Thomson,
Culver,	Hudson,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Kilpatrick.	Van Buren,
Everett,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Flewellen,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Starr,	Wooten.
Goldin,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Castleberry.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Battle,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Carter,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Comas,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Cook,	Stewart of the 34th,	

Ayes 28. Nays 2.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Stevens moved to adopt the report of the joint committee appointed to investigate the treasury department to obtain whether Hon. R. U. Hardeman had a right to appropriate certain funds arising from Building and Loan Associations.

Upon adopting the report, Mr. Blalock moved to have the ayes and nays called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Strother,
Cook,	Mann,	Turner,
Culver,	Redwine,	Van Buren,
Dunwoody,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Geiger,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Flynt,	Kemp,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Walker of the 40th.
Castleberry,	Golightly,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Thomson,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Walker of the 18th,	Mr. President.
Hopkins,		

Ayes 26. Nays 8.

The report of the committee was adopted.

By Mr. Hall—

A resolution to appropriate \$60.00 to pay the pension of Amanda Thornton.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Stevens,
Battle,	Goldin,	Strother,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Turner,
Brinson,	Gray,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Walker of the 18th,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flynt,	Starr,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Cook,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.

Ayes 26. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Knowles—

A resolution appropriating \$205.88 for Mr. H. W. Thomas.



This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Starr,
Battle,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Strother,
Brinson,	Gray,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Wooten.
Flynt,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Sheffield,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Ham,		

Ayes 25. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Calvin—

A resolution paying M. A. Hardin and C. S. Northen for special work done by them.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Battle,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Gray.	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Brooke,	Mann,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 40th,
Everett,	Starr,	Wooten.
Geiger,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Strother,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kemp,	Westmoreland,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Wilcox,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Shropshire,	Mr. Præident.
Flynt,		

Ayes 25. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by adding after the figures "1895," at the end of the last line, the following: "The further sum of \$60.00 is hereby appropriated to pay J. Troup Taylor for making indexes for the Senate and House Journals for the adjournment term of 1896, in February, 1897

The privileges of the floor were extended to Capt. Paul T Haskell during his stay in the city.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Gray—

A resolution instructing the Secretary of the Senate to obtain from the Hon. R. L. Berner a portrait of himself to be hung on the walls of the Senate.

By Mr. Reese—

A resolution to pay Richard Johnson, Commissioner of Pensions, for one month's salary.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Culver,	Mann,	Turner,
Everett,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 40th,
Geiger,	Starr,	Westmoreland,
Goldin,	Stevens,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Dunwody,	Shropshire,
Blalock,	Flewellen,	Van Buren,
Brooke,	Ham,	Wilcox,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Witcher,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Mr. President.
Cook,	McFarland,	

Ayes 27. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$500.00 to pay an expert accountant.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called.

Upon motion of Mr. Stewart of 34th, the bill was tabled.

By Mr. Burwell—

A resolution to pay the expenses of the investigating committee that investigated the Clay county contested election case.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stevens,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Strother,
Cook,	Kemp,	Thomson,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Everett,	McFarland,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Goldin,	Starr,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Comas,	Walker of the 18th,
Brinson,	Flewellen,	Wilcox,
Brooke,	Hopkins,	Witcher,
Carter,	Redwine,	Mr. President.

Ayes 32. Nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Freeman—

A resolution authorizing the Governor to borrow money if necessary to supply any casual deficiency before the next session of the General Assembly.

Upon the passage of the resolution the ayes were 28, nays 0.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Whitaker—

A bill to amend section 4641 of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Mr. Redwine, Chairman Committee on Manufactories, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Manufactories have had under consideration the following bill, to wit:

A bill to be entitled an act to regulate the sale of prison-made goods within the State of Georgia, which the committee instruct me to report back with the recommendation that the same do not pass.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. REDWINE, Chairman.

By Mr. Whipple—

A resolution to refund the amounts, less taxes and costs, received by the State from D. B. Leonard for the purchase of certain lands.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Flynt,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Geiger,	Strother,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Kemp,	Turner,
Brooke,	McFarland,	Van Buren.
Castleberry,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Culver,	Shropshire,	Wilcox.
Dunwody,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,	Wooten.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Sheffield,
Carter,	Gray,	Stevens,
Comas,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Cook,	Hopkins,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Hudson,	Witcher,
Flewellen,	Mann,	Mr. President.

Ayes 23. Nays 3.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Blalock—

A bill to prescribe three grades of fertilizers in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend by adding after the word "food," at end of section 2, the words: "provided, this act shall not go into effect until after the first day of August, 1898."

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend paragraph 1 of section 3 of the acts of 1896, in reference to guarantee companies.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was taken from the table to be put upon its passage:

By Mr. Slaton—

A bill to amend section 1047 of the Penal Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 30, nays 1.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Hawes—

A bill to amend an act approved December 12th, 1882, and for other purposes.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. Freeman—

A bill to amend section 580 of the first volume of the Code of 1895.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 24, nays 1.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By Mr. McLarty—

A bill to further define the incompetency of certain persons as witnesses.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 23, nays 2.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority was passed.

By Mr. Longley—

A bill to authorize and empower counties and municipalities to enact regulations or ordinances to provide for enforcing vaccination in this State.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 26, nays 0.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

By unanimous consent, House bill No. 352 was laid upon the table.

Upon motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, the Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night.



8 O'clock P. M.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 8 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the President.

Upon the call of the roll the following members answered to their names:

Allen,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Atkinson,	Kemp,	Strother,
Brooke,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Turner,
Cook,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 18th,
Everett,	Starr,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Stevens,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,	Mr. President.
Golightly,		

Those absent were Messrs.—

Battle,	Flewellen,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Goldin,	Shropshire,
Brinson,	Gray,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Hopkins,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Hudson,	Wooten.
Dunwody,		

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in certain Senate amendments to House bill No. 582, to create a prison commission, and refused to concur in certain other amendments, and has concurred in certain amendments with an amendment, as follows:

The House has concurred in the following amendments: Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 27, and have refused to concur in the following amendments: Nos. 20, 21, and 26.

The House has also refused to concur in the first part of amendment No. 17, relative to subletting the convicts, and concurred in the latter part by substitute.

The House has also concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bills:

A bill to prescribe the grades of commercial fertilizers.

Also, a resolution providing for an appropriation of \$1,800.00 to pay the expenses of the Blalock Committee

Also, a resolution to pay the Clerk of the House and Assistant Secretary of the Senate for special work.

Mr. Westmoreland, Chairman of Committee on Engrossing, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Engrossing have examined and found duly engrossed and ready to be transmitted to the House the following resolution, to wit:

A resolution giving the Governor permission to loan Georgia State exhibit to committee for Trans-Mississippi exhibit.

Respectfully submitted.

G. F. WESTMORELAND, Chairman.

The following House bills were taken from the table to be put upon their passage:

By Mr. Felder—

A bill providing for liens in favor of contractors, material accountant to examine the treasurer's books.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Kilpatrick called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Goldin,	Stevens,
Atkinson,	Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Strother,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Culver,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwody,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Everett,	Redwine,	Witcher.
Flynt,	Starr,	

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Carter,	Ham,	Turner,
Geiger,	Mann,	Van Buren,
Gray.	Stewart of the 34th,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Flewellen,	Wilcox,
Brinson,	Sheffield,	Wooten,
Castleberry,	Shropshire,	Mr. President.
Comas,		

Ayes 26. Nays 8.

The bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Amend section 2 by striking out between the word "material," in line eleven, and the word "such," in line sixteen, the words "but when given during the progress or within thirty days of the completion of the work or furnishing of material, the lien shall attach only to," and inserting therefor the words "provided, in no event shall the lien attach for a sum greater than."

2. Also, by striking out in line thirty-two the words "for the amount of the work done or material furnished for the improvement of said real estate."

3. Also, by striking out between the word "material," in line forty-four, and the word "such," in line forty-eight, the words "but when given during the progress or within thirty days of the completion of work or furnishing of material, the lien shall attach only to," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "provided, in no event shall the lien attach for a sum greater than."

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill to amend section 1703 of the Code of 1882.

Upon the passage of the bill the ayes were 12, nays 20.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By unanimous consent, House bills Nos. 734 and 761 were indefinitely postponed, and House bill No. 411 was tabled.

By unanimous consent, House Bills Nos. 450, 54, 6, 34, and 352 were indefinitely postponed.

The following House resolution was taken from the table for the purpose of putting it on its passage:

By Mr. Slaton—

A resolution to appropriate \$500.00 to pay an expert accountant to examine the treasurer's books.

This being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Dunwody,	Kilpatrick,	Thomson,
Everett,	McFarland,	Westmoreland,
Golightly,	Stewart of the 27th,	Wooten.
Gray,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Shropshire,
Atkinson,	Geiger,	Starr,
Battle,	Goldin,	Strother,
Brinson,	Ham,	Turner,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Walker of the 18th,
Comas,	Mann,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Culver,	Sheffield,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Wilcox,	

Ayes 13. Nays 26.

The resolution, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By Mr. Calvin—

A bill requiring firms selling mixed flour in this State to have certain words printed on it.

Mr. Kilpatrick moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, and on that Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Everett,	Redwine,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Sheffield,
Brinson,	Ham,	Shropshire,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Mann,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Thomson,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Van Buren,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	Starr,	Witcher,
Goldin,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wooten.
Golightly,	Strother,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Stevens,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Wilcox,	

Ayes 19. Nays 20.

The motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Golightly called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Allen,	Gray,	Strother,
Atkinson,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Castleberry,	Kemp,	Turner.
Culver,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Flynt,	Starr,	Walker of the 18th,
Golightly,	Stewart of the 34th,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Everett,	Sheffield,
Blalock,	Geiger,	Shropshire,
Brinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brooke,	Hudson,	Walker of the 40th,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Carter,	Goldin,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Stevens,	

Ayes 18. Nays 18.

The bill not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following bill was taken from the table, with adverse report from the committee:

By Mr. Davidson—

A bill to elect the County Commissioners of Greene county by the people, and for other purposes.

Upon motion of Mr. Berner, the bill was laid upon the table.

The committee on the part of the Senate to select the portrait of the Hon. Chas. F. Crisp is Senator Hudson of 13th district.

The committee on the part of the Senate to visit the North Georgia Agricultural College, at its next commencement, is Senators O. N. Starr of the 43d district, and Phil Cook of the 10th district.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendments to the following House bill:

A bill providing for liens in favor of contractors, material men, mechanics, etc.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, all the bills which were only read first time were indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Flynt moved to take House bill No. 738 from the table, and called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Hopkins,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brooke,	Kemp,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Mann,	Turner,
Everett,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Flynt,	Sheffield,	Walker of the 40th,
Goldin,	Starr,	Wooten.
Golightly,		



Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Battle,	Geiger,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren.
Culver,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Shropshire,	Witcher.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Stevens,
Carter,	Ham,	Wilcox,
Comas,	Hudson,	Mr. President.
Cook,		

Ayes 22. Nays 12.

The bill was taken from the table.

Upon disagreeing to the report of the committee, Mr. Flynt called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Golightly,	Shropshire,
Battle,	Gray,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Thomson,
Cook,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Culver,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Dunwody,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Geiger,	Sheffield,	Witcher.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Everett,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Mann,	Wooten.

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Wilcox,
Carter,	Starr,	Mr. President.
Comas,	Stevens,	

Ayes 24. Nays 12.

Report of committee was agreed to.

Upon the passage of the bill Mr. Flynt called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Brooke,	Goldin,	Strother,
Castleberry,	Hopkins,	Turner,
Everett,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th,
Flynt,	Mann,	Wooten.

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Dunwody,	Starr,
Battle,	Geiger,	Stewart of the 27th,
Blalock,	Golightly,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Van Buren,
Comas,	Kilpatrick,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Westmoreland.
Culver,	Shropshire,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Ham,	Stewart of the 34th,
Carter,	McFarland,	Wilcox,
Flewellen,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Gray,	Stevens,	Mr. President.

Ayes 12. Nays 20.

The bill, not having received the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

By unanimous consent, the following bill was taken up for the purpose of considering the House action.

By Special Committee—

A bill to create a prison commission.

The Senate refused to accept House amendment to Senate amendment, and refused to recede from its amendments.

By unanimous consent, the following House bills were indefinitely postponed: Nos. 759, 639, 708, 745, 216, 714, and 140.

The following House bills were tabled: No. 792, 233, 343, and 792.

The following bill was taken from the table with adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Mansfield—

A resolution to deliver to the ordinary of McIntosh county certain books.

The report of the committee was agreed to and resolution was lost.

The following resolution was taken from the table, with adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Awtry—

A resolution to require the State Memorial Board to investigate the Confederate graves in this State, and to appropriate money for the same.

Mr. Turner moved to disagree to the report of the committee, which motion was lost.

Mr. Battle moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

Upon this motion Mr. Turner called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Geiger,	Mann.
Comas,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Hopkins,	Stevens,
Brinson,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Castleberry,	Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,
Cook,	McFarland,	Turner,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Van Buren,
Golightly,	Shropshire,	Walker of the 40th,
Gray,	Starr,	Wooten.
Ham,		

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flewellen,	Thomson,
Battle,	Flynt,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Culver,	Redwine,	Witcher,
Everett,	Strother,	Mr. President.

Ayes 4. Nays 22.

The motion was lost.

Upon the passage of the resolution, this being an appropriation, the ayes and nays were called, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Starr,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Stevens,
Blalock,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 27th,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Stewart of the 34th,
Comas,	Mann,	Turner,
Cook,	McFarland,	Van Buren,
Culver,	Redwine,	Walker of the 40th,
Dunwoody,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Golightly,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Gray,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Castleberry,	Geiger.
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Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Walker of the 18th,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Westmoreland,
Carter,	Kemp,	Wilcox,
Everett,	Strother,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Thomson,	

Ayes 28. Nays 2.

The resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following House bill was taken from the table, with adverse report from committee:

By Mr. Dodson—

A bill to regulate the defenses to actions on policies of life insurance.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the bill was tabled.

Mr. Golightly moved to take the bill just tabled from the table and called for the ayes and nays, and the vote was as follows:

Those voting in the affirmative were Messrs.—

Blalock,	Golightly,	Starr,
Castleberry,	Hudson,	Stewart of the 34th,
Culver,	Kemp,	Walker of the 40th.
Everett,		

Those voting in the negative were Messrs.—

Atkinson,	Ham,	Stewart of the 27th,
Battle,	Hopkins,	Thomson,
Brinson,	Kilpatrick,	Van Buren,
Comas,	McFarland,	Walker of the 18th,
Cook,	Redwine,	Westmoreland,
Dunwody,	Sheffield,	Witcher,
Geiger,	Shropshire,	Wooten.
Gray,	Stevens,	

Those not voting were Messrs.—

Allen,	Flynt,	Turner,
Brooke,	Goldin,	Wilcox.
Carter,	Mann,	Mr. President.
Flewellen,	Strother,	

Ayes 10. Nays 23.

The motion was lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following Senate bills, to wit:

A bill authorizing State banks to issue and sell obligations, etc.

Also, a bill to incorporate insurance companies with powers to insure against robbery.

Also, a bill to regulate the fees of attorneys and receivers.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has passed the following Senate bills:

A bill to amend section 1030 of the Code, volume 3, 1895.

Also, a bill to provide for the examination of private banks of this State, and compel the making of statements as required by law, if incorporated banks.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the following Senate resolution:

A resolution authorizing the Governor to loan the State exhibit to the committee for the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha.

The Speaker has appointed the following conference committees on the part of the House upon the following subject-matter, to wit:

On the Senate amendment, striking out the West amend-

ment, which allows subletting of convicts, Messrs. West and Redding.

Upon the Senate amendment, striking the Felder amendment, Messrs. Boynton of Spalding, Boifeuillet, and Felder

Upon the Senate amendment, adding section 14, relative to farms for insane convicts, Messrs. Awtry, Fogarty, and Dodson.

Upon Senate amendment providing that the fund arising from hire of convicts be sequestered for penitentiary purposes, Messrs. Blalock, Stone, and Brannen.

The following Senate bill was taken up to concur in House amendment:

By Mr. Starr—

A bill to amend section 1030 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Senate concurred in House amendment, which was as follows:

Amend by adding after the words "judges of the Superior" wherever it occurs in the caption, and in section 1, the words "city and county."

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has concurred in the Senate amendment to the following Senate bill, to wit:



A bill to appropriate \$4,917.43 to reimburse the treasurer for money advanced to pay the expenses of the investigating committee of the charges of official misconduct of Judges Sweat and Reese.

*Mr. President:*

Your committee having under consideration the differences between the House and the Senate as to the amendments proposed to section 16 of House bill No. 582, instruct me to report their inability to agree with committee on the part of the House as to appropriating hire of convicts to perfecting a penal system.

PHILIP COOK, Chairman.

The Senate insists on its amendment, and asks for another conference committee.

*Mr. President:*

Your conference committee, having had under consideration the difference between the House and the Senate as to subleasing the convicts, agree to the amendment offered by the House that the convicts may be subleased with and by the consent of the prison commission.

PHILIP COOK, Chairman.

Adopted December 6th, 1897.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has appointed the following conference committee on that portion of the prison commission bill disposing of the funds arising from the hire of convicts:

The committee on the part of the House are Messrs. Burwell, Swift, and Bowden.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

The House has passed the following resolution of the Senate, to wit:

A resolution authorizing the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railway Company to acquire certain rights in and to the use of the Western and Atlantic Railroad in and near the city of Marietta, and for other purposes.

*Mr. President:*

The joint conference committee appointed upon the Senate amendment in reference to the Boynton and Felder amendments to the convict bill, submitted the following report:

That the Senate amendment stand with the adoption of the following language in lieu of the Boynton amendment:

Amend section 11 by adding after the word "convict," in line six of the printed Senate bill, the following: "Provided, the convicts shall, as far as possible consistent with the best interests of the State, be so worked that the products of their labor shall come the least in competition with

that of free labor; provided further, that in no case shall convicts be worked in factories where women are employed."

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F. DUNWODY,

Chairman on part of Senate Conference Committee.

JAS. S. BOYNTON,

Chairman on part of House Conference Committee.

Adopted.

*Mr. President:*

The joint conference committee appointed upon the Senate amendment to the House convict bill incorporated in section 14 of the bill as sent to the House, make the following report, to wit:

That the Senate recede from said amendment.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY F. DUNWODY,

Chairman Conference Committee on part of Senate.

Adopted.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

By Mr. Starr—

A resolution thanking the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, and other officers of the Senate, for the faithful discharge of their duties.

By Mr. Battle

A resolution thanking the Hon. Robert L. Berner for the able, impartial and just manner in which he has presided over this body

Read and adopted.

*Mr. President:*

Your joint conference committee have had under consideration the difference between the Senate and House as to the disposition of the net convict fund, and report that the House concurs in the Senate amendment, and recommends that the House recede from its amendment.

Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP COOK,

Chairman on part of Senate.

Read and adopted.

*Mr. President:*

The joint conference committee have had under consideration the difference between the House and Senate as to the disposition of the net convict fund. The committee agrees to recede from its action, and concurs in the House amendment.

Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP COOK,

Chairman Senate Committee.

Adopted.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has appointed the following conference committee on the part of the House on the disposition of the convict fund: Messrs. Slaton, Mozley, and Timmerman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined the following bills, and find them properly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, to wit:

No. 140, to establish Board of Commissioners for Roads and Revenues in Chattooga county.

No. 124, to establish a system of free schools in Raccoon, Chattooga county.

No. 110, to amend section 1643, volume 1, Code of 1895.

No. 159, to define the duties and fix the compensation of treasurer of Richmond county.

No. 136, to amend charter of the city of Thomasville, Georgia.

No. 123, to incorporate the town of Trion, in Chattooga county.

No. 150, to repeal the charter of Fairburn, and enact a new one.

No. 125, to incorporate the town of Summerville, Chattooga county.

No. 158, to incorporate the town of Reidsville, Tatnall county.

No. 67, to amend an act approved December 17th, 1894, to provide for the registration of voters in this State.

No. 126, to repeal an act approved February 20th, 1869, to incorporate "Trion."

No. 37, a resolution to authorize the State Librarian to deliver to the United States Court certain volumes of Georgia Reports.

Respectfully submitted.

BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of Committee on Enrolling, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Committee on Enrolling have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives the following acts of the Senate, to wit:

An act to require the Commissioner of Agriculture to establish department of horticulture, etc.

An act to amend the school system in Fulton county, outside of the city of Atlanta.

An act to make all suits involving less than \$100.00 in the city of court of Baxley, etc.

An act to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court.

An act to prevent tramps and others from stealing rides on trains.

A resolution to provide for preparation of hand-book for W & A. R. R.

A resolution memorializing Congress as to refunding cotton tax collected in 1865, 1866, and 1867

A resolution providing for doorkeeper for rear door in messenger's room for twenty-five days of session.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

Mr. Brinson, Chairman of the Enrolling Committee, submitted the following report:

*Mr. President:*

The Enrolling Committee have examined and found duly enrolled and ready for the signatures of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House the following acts, to wit:

An act to amend section 1030 of volume 3 of the Code of 1895.

Also, an act to require the Commissioner of Agriculture to establish a special department of horticulture and pomology, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to extend the limits of the town of Fort Valley, in the county of Houston.

Also, an act to provide for the examination of private banks by the State bank examiner.

Also, an act to rearrange the Stone Mountain and Coweta judicial circuits.

Also, an act to amend the act establishing and maintaining a local public school system in Fulton county, outside of Atlanta.

Also, an act to make the Eastern judicial circuit composed of Chatham county, and create a new one, to be known as the Atlantic circuit.

Also, an act to authorize the State banks now existing under the laws of this State, or which may hereafter be established, to issue obligations payable in silver bullion, or merchandise.

Also, an act to incorporate the town of Summerville, in the county of Chattooga, and to establish a system of public schools in the same.

Also, an act to prevent tramps or others from stealing rides on railroad trains.

Also, an act to increase the rank of adjutant-general in this State.



Also, an act to incorporate insurance companies with powers to insure against robbery and burglary, and for other purposes.

Also, an act to change the time of holding Montgomery Superior Court, and to provide for two weeks term of same.

Also, an act to make all suits involving less than \$100.00 in the city court of Baxley, the appearance shall be the trial term.

Also, an act to regulate the payment of fees to attorneys and receivers in cases where petition for injunction has been filed.

Also, an act to amend the charter of the city of Brunswick.

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Also, an act to amend section 1354 of volume 1 of the Code of 1895.

Also, an act to provide for the election of the judges and solicitors-general by the people.

Also, an act to regulate deposits by Building and Loan Associates of securities.

Also, the following resolutions:

A resolution authorizing the Atlanta, Knoxville and Northern Railroad Company to acquire certain rights in and to the use of the W & A. R. R. near the city of Marietta.

Also, a resolution to authorize the Governor to loan the Georgia State exhibit to committee for the Trans-Mississippi Exposition.

Also, a resolution providing for the preparation of a hand-book for the W & A. Railroad.

Also, a resolution memorializing Congress to refund the cotton tax for the years 1865, 1866, and 1867

Also, a resolution to admit Eddie Goddard in the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Cave Spring.

Also, a resolution providing for the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Secretary of the Senate, and Clerk of the House to remain at the capitol five days to finish up the business.

Also, a resolution providing for doorkeeper for the rear of the messenger's room in the Senate.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD L. BRINSON, Chairman.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

*Mr. President:*

The House has adopted the report of the following joint committee, to wit:

They report that after duly considering the law, it is the sense of the committee that the late Treasurer, Hon. R. U. Hardeman, was entitled to the fees of the Building and Loan Associations, and that they properly belong to him, and were not intended to be conveyed into the treasury

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Hardin, the Clerk thereof:

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has finished the business of the session, and are now ready to adjourn without a day.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate is ready to adjourn are Senators Battle, Gray, and Kilpatrick.

By Mr. Turner—

Resolved, That the sympathies of the Senate be extended to Hon. J Troup Taylor, the Journal clerk of the Senate, and sincerely hope he will be restored to health.

Upon motion of Mr. Battle, the Senate adjourned *sine die*.

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